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WINSTON CHURCHILL EXPRESSES GRATITUDE TO UNITED STATES AT LUNCHEON TO MR. WINANT

Battle Of Atlantic Most Momentous Ever To Be Fought In Annals Of War



Faculty Of Survival In Glorious Degree

ONE OF THE MOST MEMORABLE EVENTS IN ANGLO-AMERICAN RELATIONS TOOK PLACE IN LONDON YESTERDAY AT A LUNCHEON TO THE NEW UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN, MR. JOHN GILBERT WINANT, STATES A LONDON MESSAGE.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Prime Minister, announced with great satisfaction a piece of war news with these words:

"ONLY YESTERDAY I RECEIVED NEWS OF THE CERTAIN DESTRUCTION OF THREE U-BOATS. NOT SINCE OCTOBER, 1939, HAVE I BEEN SO CHEERED BY NEWS OF THIS TRIPLE EVENT."

At the luncheon a message was read from His Majesty the King welcoming Mr. Winant.

His Majesty said: "THE AMBASSADOR HAS COME TO US AT A MOST FATEFUL MOMENT IN THE HISTORY OF THE TWO COUNTRIES AND WE MUST EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE TO THE PEOPLE HE REPRESENTS AND OUR ADMIRATION FOR THEIR GREAT STATESMAN."

Mr. Churchill said that there was no more fitting occasion to express the thanks of the nation and the Empire for the assurance which has come to them through the fateful Presidential words on Saturday.

"AMERICAN PEOPLE MEAN BUSINESS," DECLARES MR. AVERELL HARRIMAN

"I make no predictions but the American people mean business and I don't think you will be disappointed," said MR. AVERELL HARRIMAN, United States defence coordinator who is at present in London, in a statement yesterday, according to a London message.

ATTITUDE OF YUGOSLAVIA TO DEMANDS

NEW YORK, Mar. 18 (Reuter)—Though German pressure continues on Yugoslavia, leaders have adopted a "take it or leave it" attitude to the demands, according to a Belgrade message to the NEW YORK TIMES today quoting sources close to the Yugoslav Government.

SOVIET NOTE

LONDON, March 18 (Reuter)—The DAILY TELEGRAPH'S Ankara correspondent says it is reported here that the Soviet Note was handed to the Yugoslav Government last week, and is responsible for their hesitation to conclude their agreement with Germany.

The contents of the Note are reported to be as follows:—

"Do not join the Axis Tripartite Pact because it means war in the Balkans."

If Yugoslavia is attacked, Russia will give military, technical and financial help, military help consisting of planes.

In any case, communicate the decision you are taking to Russia at least 48 hours in advance.

These three points have been communicated to the Turkish Government and presumably also to Greece.

JAPAN-AXIS RIFT DENIED

Declaring that the report from the United States that Japan was seeking to leave the Axis was only an attempt by America to isolate Japan from her Axis partners, a radio message from Saigon yesterday stated that Japan will not be diverted from her course of establishing a new order in the Orient and that she will remain faithful to the Tripartite Pact. (Special)

Today's News Summary

A PUBLIC EXPRESSION of gratitude on behalf of the British nation to the United States was made by Mr. Winston Churchill, Prime Minister, when he spoke in London yesterday at a luncheon to the new American Ambassador to the Court of St. James's, Mr. John G. Winant. A message from His Majesty the King was also read. The new envoy replied in a stirring speech.

A TOTAL OF 25 BRITISH and Allied ships were sunk by enemy action during the week ended Mar. 10. The tonnage aggregated 99,000.

THE LATEST ISSUE OF JANE'S Fighting Ships discloses that twelve new cruisers have been built for the Royal Navy, while 20 destroyers have been constructed since the war began.

OPERATIONS BY BRITISH FORCES are proceeding in the mountainous region around Keren, key-point of Italian resistance, and to the west of the town Indian troops have captured an important fort.

A "TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT ATTITUDE" is being adopted by Yugoslavia to the German demands and it is reported that the delay has been occasioned by a Note from the Soviet to Yugoslavia warning her not to sign the Tripartite Pact.

"You have come here, Mr. Winant," said the Prime Minister, "to help mankind on a scale which has not been previously known. We have our increasing privations but with your help we know now that we can overcome these."

"We have our faults and our social system has its faults but I hope, with God's help, to prove that this commonwealth of nations has the ability to survive in a glorious degree."

"In such a moment the words and pledges which Mr. Roosevelt has given show that we are no longer alone."

MUST BE WON

Mr. Churchill then dealt with the Battle of the Atlantic which he said, must be won in a decisive manner because the policy of help from the United States is not to be frustrated.

Not only German battle cruisers but German battleships had now crossed the other side of the Atlantic to sink our ships.

"The struggle has to be won to bring in this stream of munitions and food which are coming to us," said Mr. Churchill.

"Our losses have risen for the time being but our strength is growing every week. The American destroyers which reached us in the autumn and the winter are going into action and our air power is growing fast."

MOST MOMENTOUS

The Premier then referred to the destruction of the three U-boats and continued, "We must regard this Battle of the Atlantic as the most momentous ever fought in."

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Scientists Fighting The Night Bombing

OTTAWA, Mar. 18 (Reuter)—Canadian and American scientists had "played no mean part" in developing devices against night bombing now being used in Britain, according to a statement by the Canadian Air Minister, Mr. C. G. Power, in the House of Commons.

Over 300 men, mostly from Canada, he said, crossed the Atlantic to work the devices in November and they were recently followed by hundreds more.

Mr. Power added that the United States had supplied 200 to 400 trained airmen for instruction work under the Empire Training Scheme, and the actual number of men who graduated under the scheme last month was almost double that planned when the agreement on the scheme was made in December, 1939.

HEINKEL DOWNED

A Heinkel 111 was shot down into the sea after it had dropped bombs yesterday over the Thames Estuary which did no damage, states a London message. (Special)

NEW ART GALLERY OPENED IN U.S.

Housing works to the value of \$4,000,000, the gift of the late Mr. Andrew Mellon, the first national gallery in the United States was opened by President Roosevelt, states a London message. Paintings and sculpture by famous German and Italian artists are included. (Special)

Blunt Warning Of Strength Of United States Pacific Fleet

A blunt warning of the strength of the United States Pacific Fleet was made yesterday by Col. Frank Knox, Secretary for the Navy, states a message from Sydney.

Col. Knox said: "IN THE PACIFIC, THE UNITED STATES FLEET IS THE MOST POWERFUL AND HARDEST HITTING FLEET AFOAT AND THERE IS NO DOUBT ABOUT WHAT IT WILL BE ABLE TO DO IN THE EVENT OF WAR."

The arrival of ships of the United States Fleet in New Zealand is regarded as indicating the extent of United States collaboration with Britain, adds the Sydney message. (Special)

DEAN WILSON ACCEPTS OFFER OF BISHOPRIC OF SINGAPORE

THE VERY REVEREND J. L. WILSON, Dean and Archdeacon of Hongkong, has been offered the Bishopric of Singapore by the Archbishop of Canterbury and has accepted it, and has in consequence put his resignation in the hands of the Bishop and the Church of England Trustees.

The date and place of consecration are in the hands of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and may not be settled for some little time.

FOOD FOR FRANCE

WASHINGTON, Mar. 18 (Reuter)—In connexion with food for France, Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, has sent a statement to the State Department, and according to a British informed source, later said that the submission of the proposal to the Red Cross was acceptable to the British authorities.

Grain supplies might now be permitted to unoccupied France under conditions assuring of no aid to Germany either directly or indirectly.

DEATH OF M. TITULESCU

LONDON, Mar. 18 (Reuter)—Regarded as the special champion of Britain in Rumania, M. Nicolai Titulescu, one of the most versatile figures in diplomatic lobbies of Europe, after the World War, died at Cannes yesterday.

M. Titulescu was the Foreign and Finance Minister and Minister to Britain.

FIGHTING PROCEEDING IN MOUNTAINS AROUND KEREN: INDIAN TROOPS CAPTURE IMPORTANT FORT IN WEST

A communique from Cairo confirms that in ERITREA fighting is going on in the mountains around KEREN where Indian troops have taken an important fort to the west of the town, states a London message.

THE ITALIAN LOSSES ARE STATED TO BE VERY HEAVY. An air communique adds to this report the news of further activity by bomber and fighter aircraft of the R.A.F. in the Keren area.

Troops and munition dumps have been dive-bombed and machine-gunned. In ABYSSINIA enemy troops and motor transport vehicles have been attacked by machine-gun fire by the South African Air Force. Five more Italian aircraft are reported to have been destroyed in the last week.

A report on the land operations states that while the British troops are extending the area of occupation in BRITISH SOMALILAND the general advance into SOUTHERN ABYSSINIA is continuing.

In LIBYA, R.A.F. bombers continued heavy attacks on TRIPOLI on Sunday night. (Special)

British forces have captured a further 700 or 800 prisoners. It is again pointed out, however, in military circles in London that in Keren the Italians resisted strongly.

Discussing the recapture of BERBERA, the capital of British Somaliland, experts underline the supreme importance of sea power in this as in other recent operations, says British Wireless.

Without sea power, the capture of this port would have been impossible. An announcement that "R.A.F. armoured cars" participated in the recapture of Berbera is the first official mention of a weapon not usually associated with the British air arm.

The Italian General LORENZINI has been killed in action, adds British Wireless.

Twenty British Ships Sunk In One Week

For the week ended Mar. 10, 20 BRITISH ships, of 84,000 tons, and FIVE ALLIED, totalling 14,500 tons, were sunk as the result of enemy action, states a London message. This makes a total of 25 ships of 99,000 tons.

During the same week, the Germans claimed to have sunk twice the amount of tonnage.

It is now known, adds the message, that in the previous week, ended Mar. 3, 19 British ships and not 20 were lost reducing the tonnage by 7,000.

It is pointed out in London that although the week's losses are higher than the weekly average for the first two months this year, they are one-third less than the figures in the previous week. (Special)

British Wireless adds that the fact that Admiral Sir Percy Noble has been appointed the C-in-C of the Western Approaches is an indication of steps being taken to co-ordinate measures effectively, but many weeks must elapse before the results can be seen of the Navy's efforts to deal with all German attempts to master British shipping.

WILL NOT INTERFERE Commenting on the German threats to torpedo all American ships carrying aid to Britain, Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador in Washington, told newspapermen that Germany would not be able substantially to interfere with the flow, states a London message. (Special)

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"Taffrail's" Tribute To Sir Percy Noble

Captain Henry ("Taffrail") Dorrington paid a glowing tribute to ADMIRAL SIR PERCY NOBLE, A.C.S., C.V.O., formerly Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, and now appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Western Approaches, in the course of a broadcast from London yesterday.

"Taffrail" said that Sir Percy was full of vigour and cool-headed. He had played football as a younger man. He was reputed to be the best liked officer in the service.

A PSYCHOLOGIST Sir Percy was always ready to give credit where credit was due. He was a psychologist and keen to find out what other people thought and why. He made every effort to get at the core of a matter and took infinite trouble to find why a man had committed any breach of discipline.

Sir Percy said, "Taffrail" showed his great capacity in his last strenuous command in the China Station. "So let us wish him now the best of luck in the part he is to play in the Battle of the Atlantic," concluded the speaker.

EIRE'S PLEDGE TO BRITAIN

Eire's pledge not to let her bases be used for attacks against Britain was voiced by Mr. Eamon de Valera, the Prime Minister, speaking on St. Patrick's Day, states a London message.

"For us to permit such a thing would be to involve ourselves in war," he added.

KNOX'S WARNING Colonel Frank Knox, U. S. Secretary of Navy, warned Eire that she was inextricably tied up to Britain and asked what the country would do if Britain lost the war.

"Driving Germans out of Eire will be much more difficult than anything which the good St. Patrick did," concluded Col. Knox. (Special)

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ADVERTISEMENTS

THE FANLING HUNT & RACE CLUB

The March Meeting will be held on 23rd March as advertised. Race No. 6 (The Kangaroo Cup) is cancelled and in its place the following is substituted.

The Dublin Consolation Cup. A flat race of 1 mile for China Ponies "E" class that have started at this Meeting. Weight as allotted for The Dublin Handicap. Winner Barred. Ponies placed second and third \$10. and 31th. penalty respectively. Winner \$250.00, 2nd. 125.00, 3rd. \$100.00. Post entry \$5.00.

By Order of the Committee,
THOMSON & CO.,
Secretaries.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Second Extra Race Meeting
Saturday, 29th March, 1941.

The closing of the entries for the above has been postponed to 5.00 P.M. on MONDAY, 24th March.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING has again been postponed. It will now be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 22nd March, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The first Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Telephone 21920).

No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1941.

What do you want?

If there is anything you want to buy or sell, try a small Classified advertisement in the Hong Kong Daily Press.

25 words \$1.50 prepaid for 3 insertions.

COLONY TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMENCE

Tsui Brothers Given Good Match

The Colony's Open Tennis championships began at the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday evening, and, as is customary, all the leading players made large first appearances.

A new Japanese combination, O. Umetani and T. Imura, had little difficulty in defeating the Club pair, T. C. Monaghan and T. J. Gould, by 6-1, 6-3. The winning pair appeared erratic, especially in the earlier stages.

The second set saw the losers putting up a much better fight with Monaghan very deadly in his killing from which they won many points.

TSUI IN ACTION

The Tsui brothers, Wai-pui and Yan-pui, were given a good match by C. H. R. Oxide and Dr. A. H. Barwell, winning eventually in straight sets, 6-2, 7-5.

In the only singles, H. D. Rum-John, a past holder, had some useful practice in beating W. J. Howard, 6-1, 6-2.

In the other open doubles, G. W. Sewell and D. M. MacDougall beat T. A. Martin and E. G. Matthias, 6-2, 6-2.

Other results were:—
Handicap Singles: H. van Leeuwen (-2/6) beat L. P. Ralph (plus 1/6) 6-3, 6-3; A. T. Dow (-3/6) beat M. A. Wierens de Haan (Scr.) 6-0, 6-3.

Handicap Doubles: D. S. Robb and C. W. E. Bishop (scr.) beat N. Spence and E. Newton (-1/6) 6-3, 6-2, 6-3.

SMALL UNITS SPORTS

OPEN MILE RELAY FEATURE OF MEET

A crowded programme has been arranged for the Small Units Sports which is scheduled to take place this afternoon at the Chatham Rd. field.

The main feature in the programme of 14 events will be the invitation one-mile relay which will be participated by a team from the Hongkong University and three teams from the Middlesex Regiment.

The purpose of the competition is to pick out successful contestants for the forthcoming Army meet.

Two competitors turned up for the pole vault event yesterday which L/Sgt. Adams, R.A.O.C., won with a leap of 7 feet 9 ins. Sgt. Pitt, R.A.O.C. was second with 7 feet 3 ins.

THE PROGRAMME

The programme: 100 yard, 2 p.m.; High jump, 2.10 p.m.; 800 yard, 2.40 p.m.; Shot put, 2.55 p.m.; 220 yard, 3.15 p.m.; Hammer, 3.20 p.m.; One mile, 3.40 p.m.; Broad jump, 3.50 p.m. Interval.
Javelin, 4.15 p.m.; Invitation one mile relay, 4.30 p.m.; High hurdles, 4.40 p.m.; Discus, 5 p.m.; 440 yard, 5.15 p.m. and 3-mile, 5.35 p.m.

CRAIGENCOWER XI

The following have been selected to represent the C.C.C. in a 1st Division League match against the Indian Recreation Club on Saturday, March 23, at 2 p.m. on the Home ground:—E. Zimmermann (Capt.), A. B. Hamson, A. J. Hulise, A. Hung, A. K. Ismail, S. Leonard, T. Lock, A. M. Omar, W. Hong Sling, G. Souza, J. L. Young Saye.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

ATHLETICS.—Small Units Meet, Chatham Road, 2 p.m.

BADMINTON.—"B" Division, Kowloon Tong v. Police.

CRICKET.—Large Units Semi-final, R.E. v. R.A., Sookunpoo, 2 p.m.

FOOTBALL.—First Division, Royal Scots v. Navy (Sookunpoo, 4.30); South China v. Police (Caroline Hill, 5 p.m.). Third Division, 36th R.A. v. R.A. F. (St. Joseph's, 4.30 p.m.); 7th R.A. v. Signals (Sookunpoo, 3 p.m.); 12th R.A. v. Engineers (Stanley, 3 p.m.).

RIFLE SHOOTING.—Hongkong Rifle Association, Spoon and Practice Shoot, at Kowloon City, 1.45 p.m.

RUGBY.—Club "A" v. Navy (Club, 5 p.m.).

TENNIS.—Colony Championships.—Open Singles, Ho Ki-lau v. K.H. Ip, Open Doubles, Pang Oi-lam and Lee Kam-hing v. B. and Y. Agafuroff, G. Chiba and A. V. Remedios v. A. H. Harris and H.J. Armstrong, F.

PROGRAMME FOR MACAO APRIL MEET

The following is the programme for the April Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club to be held at Areia Preta, Macao, on Sunday, April 6.

Race 1—3.00 p.m. "The Chinsan Handicap" (First Section). A Handicap for China Ponies classified by the Hongkong Jockey Club as "E" Class. Jockey Allowance. Winner \$125, Second \$75, Third \$50. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

NOTE.—One entry only will be made for "The Chinsan Handicap" (Races 1, 2 & 3). Entries will be divided into First, Second and Third Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

Race 2—3.30 p.m. "The Chinsan Handicap" (Second Section). (See Race No. 1 above).

Race 3—4.00 p.m. "The Chinsan Handicap" (Third Section). (See Race No. 1 above).

Race 4—4.30 p.m. "The Ling-nan Handicap." For China Ponies classified by the Hongkong Jockey Club as "D" Class at date of entry. Jockey Allowance. Winner \$175, Second \$100, Third \$75. Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

Race 5—5.00 p.m. "The Lung Chen Handicap." A forced entry for "Y" Class China Ponies that have started at a Race Meeting of this Club during 1940. No Entrance fee. Jockey Allowance. Winner \$100, Second \$75, Third \$50. Acceptance Fee \$5. One Mile.

Race 6 5.30 p.m. "The Shekhi Plate." For China Ponies classified by this Club as "X" Class. Weight for inches as per Scale. Winners of \$100 or more in stakes since January 1, 1941, barred. To be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. No Whips or Spurs allowed. Winner \$100, Second \$75, Third \$50. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

N.B.—Starters must be declared on the forms provided in the weighing room before 2.15 o'clock for the first race and for all subsequent races 45 minutes before the scheduled starting time.

Entries close to the Secretaries, Messrs. T. A. Martin & Co., Prince's Building, on Thursday, Mar. 27, at 12 noon.

Ponies will be transported to Macao on Friday, April 4, returning on Monday, April 7, and kept at Macao without charge.

ARMY RUGBY LEAGUE

Freshwater Shines For Middlesex

FRESHWATER, Middlesex's centre three-quarter, was the outstanding player in the Army Rugby League game between MIDDLESEX and ROYAL ARTILLERY, played at Sookunpoo, yesterday.

Freshwater scored a touch-down, which he converted, and in the second half, he broke through after a brilliant run from the 25-yard line, to secure a try which he again majorised.

During this half, two penalties were awarded against Middlesex and Keeble reduced R.A.'s arrears by three points.

The Diehards then secured another three points to run out winners by 13 points (two goals and a try) to three (one try).

The Gunners' standard of play was below that of the Mids., but their back, Fairclough, played brilliantly. Of the forwards, Skipwith, Wedderburn, Clarke, Turner and Cooke were outstanding, on the R.A. side.

Jackson was a regular "Stonewall" at back for the winners.

MIDDLESEX: Jackson; Ferguson, Freshwater, Radley, Thomson; Man, Jones; Hewitt, Bayly, Pearce; Goddard, Willoughby, Barry, Burrell and Jennings.

R.A.: Fairclough; Easterbrook, Sutcliffe, Keeble, Richards; Skipwith, Dobbinson, Giddings, Wedderburn, Clarke; Dooley, Turner, Page, Cooke and McDermott.

ENGINEERS WIN
Playing against the Combined Small Units at Sookunpoo yesterday, the Royal Engineers won by 14 points (one goal and three tries) to nil.

Martin (two tries, one of which was converted by Burrell), Burrell (one), and Rees (one) scored for the winners.

H. Kwok and T. E. Ling v. Paul Kong and Fung Yee-pui, Club Singles Championship.—T. A. Peay v. C.H.R. Oxide, R.E. Guest v. J. Darling, Lee, Club Handicap Singles.—T.C. Monaghan (-3/6) v. F. Wynter-Blyth (-2/6), G. W. Sewell (-4/6) v. S.L. Maughan (-2/6).

LA SALLE'S STRONG BID FOR ATHLETIC HONOURS

St. Stephen's Well-Placed In Individual Events

HEATS OF THE ANNUAL INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS WERE CONTESTED AT CAROLINE HILL yesterday with La Salle College showing up as the outstanding contender for the Championship, qualifying 15 places for Friday's finals. Wah Yan qualified for nine places, St. Stephen's and King's for eight, Queen's for six, D.B.S. and St. Paul's for five and St. Joseph's for two.

La Salle qualified at least one competitor in every one of the nine individual events and two teams in the relay. Wah Yan have qualified in six events and the relay, King's in five events and the relay and St. Stephen's in five events.

The latter team threaten to take first and second place in three field events, and should they accomplish this, will be well in the running.

Outstanding performance yesterday was the fifty-seven seconds that returned in a heat of the 400 Metres by Sin Kwok-bun (King's) in triumphing over Macaulay of D.B.S. The latter, who had competed earlier in the 880 Yards and the day before in his own school sports, did well to finish only a few yards in the rear and was under 58 secs. A. P. Silva, of La Salle, ran his heat of the 100 Metres in 11.4 seconds for another outstanding performance.

THOSE WHO QUALIFIED

100 Yards.—Heat 1: 1, Sin Kwok-bun, King's; 2, Lai Chung-yin, Wah Yan. Time: 12 secs. Heat 2: 1, A. P. Silva, La Salle; 2, Chow Hon-shu, King's; 3, Kan Chick-tao, Queen's. Time: 11.4 secs. Heat 3: 1, Lam Kwok-leung, Wah Yan; 2, Fong Hin-yung, Queen's. Time: 12 secs.

Long Jump: Wong Ki-lim, King's, 19 ft. 4 ins.; Chan King-cheung, St. Stephen's, 18 ft. 11 ins.;

400 Metres.—Heat 1: 1, N. Castro, La Salle; 2, S. Hall, D.B.S. Time: 59.4 secs. Heat 2: 1, Sin Kwok-bun, King's; 2, J. Macaulay, D.B.S.; 3, R. Remedios, La Salle. Time: 57 secs. Heat 3: 1, Lam Kwok-leung, Wah Yan; 2, Wan Shau-tak, St. Paul's. Time: 59 secs.

Shot Put: Ma Wai-fun, St. Stephen's, 35 ft. 2 ins.; Ma Chang-ling, St. Stephen's, 34 ft. 4 ins.; Woo Shai-cheung, Wah Yan, 34 ft. 3 ins.; Tong Kwok-fun, St. Paul's, 34 ft. 0 1/2 ins.

200 Metres.—Heat 1: 1, A. P. Silva, La Salle; 2, Wong Wing-

BADMINTON RESULTS

Badminton championship matches at the Club de Récreo last evening resulted as follows:—

Junior Doubles: J. L. Anderson and W. Gilles beat W. T. Ho and A. C. Cheung, 15-3, 15-6.

Junior Singles: E. Gillespie beat A. L. Gordon, 15-3, 15-4; T. S. Young beat J. Tsang, 18-13, 18-18.

Mixed Doubles: H. C. and Miss Decima Eardley beat E. Gillespie and Miss F. Wong, 15-7, 15-6.

keen, King's. Time: 24.6 secs. Heat 2: Law Chi-to, King's; 2, Chan Shiu-kei, Wah Yan. Time: 25 secs. Heat 3: A. Mackechnie, La Salle; 2, Fong Hin-yung, Queen's. Time: 25.2 secs. Fastest 3rd: Kan Chick-tao, Queen's.

High Jump: Lim Hong-hong, D.B.S.; A. Mackechnie, La Salle; Marcus Ng, La Salle; Cheuk Ming-lee, Queen's; Leung Lai-yun, St. Stephen's and A. Fong, St. Joseph's, qualified.

High Hurdles.—Heat 1: 1, Lam Cho-kon, St. Paul's; 2, B. Pomeroy, La Salle. Time: 20 secs. Heat 2: 1, Wong Ki-lim, King's; 2, Fung Shing-mo, St. Stephen's. Time: 19 3/5 secs. Heat 3: 1, Wan San-tak, St. Paul's; 2, Wan Kei-hing, Wah Yan. Time: 19 2/5 secs.

Relay.—Heat 1: 1, La Salle College "A"; 2, King's College; 3, Wah Yan College. Time: 2 mins. 43 1/2 secs. Heat 2: 1, Diocesan Boys' School; 2, La Salle College "B"; 3, St. Joseph's College.

SUNDAY HERALD CUP FINAL

SCOTTISH, ENGLISH TEAMS SELECTED

The following have been selected to represent the English and Scottish teams for the final of the Sunday Herald Charity Cup Competition (International) to be played on Sunday, April 6, 1941 at Boundary Road ground kick-off at 3.30 p.m.

Players are requested to report to Messrs. J. McKelvie (Scotland) and T. G. Stokes (England) at the dressing room at 3 p.m. sharp. Players unable to participate are requested to communicate with the Secretary before Thursday, March 28, 1941.

Jerseys, shorts and stockings will be supplied.

SCOTLAND.—Bankier (R. Scots); Naysmith (R. Scots), Fraser (R. Scots) Capt.; Munroe (R. Scots), Birrell (R. E.), Clarke (R. Scots), Garry (R. Scots), Ferrier (Police), Rossack (R. Scots), Howlett (Police), Marshall (R. Scots).

RESERVES.—Blackburn (Police), Lamb (Kowloon), Gifford (R. Scots), Hutchison (Signals), Scott (Club).

ENGLAND.—Reynolds (R.A.O.C.), Roughley (Navy), Freshwater (M/sex), Pope (Police), Bright (M/sex) Capt., Thomas (M/sex), Fowler (Club), Le Page (Navy), Hendy (Navy), Saw (M/sex), Mar-

RESERVES.—Moxham (R.E.), Parker (M/sex), Britt (Navy), Parker (Police), Forrow (Club), Fox (R.E.), Barber (Navy), Coomer (M/sex).

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COMING EVENTS

MAR.
19—Tides: High 2.07 a.m. and 1.32 p.m. Low 6.42 a.m. and 8.28 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.23 a.m.; Sunset 6.34 p.m.
Group Discussion at St. Andrew's Church—"God." (The Acting Vicar), 8.45 p.m.

H.K. Realty and Trust Co., Ltd. annual mtg., Exchange Bldg. (2nd floor), 11.30 a.m.
Vibro Filing Co. Ltd., annual meeting, York Bldg., 12.30 p.m.
H.K. Rifle Assn. Shoot, Kowloon City, 1.45 p.m.
Small Units Athletic Meeting, Chatham Road.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.) Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
S. and S. Home: House Committee Meeting, 5.30 p.m.
Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.
A.D.C. Production, "Sarah Simple," China Fleet Club Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Annual Meeting, H.K. Union Church, Kennedy Road, 5.30 p.m.
Fr. Rignati's Silver Jubilee, Thanksgiving Service at Catholic Cathedral, 8 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Working Party, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

20—Tides: High 3.32 a.m. and 2.37 p.m. Low 7.16 a.m. and 10.18 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.25 a.m.; Sunset 6.34 p.m.
H.K. Electric Co. Ltd. Annual Meeting, 11 a.m.
H.K. Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Annual Meeting, 10 Des Voeux Rd. Central, 12 noon.

H.K. Y's Men's Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.
Cheero Club Bridge and Mahjong.
General Meeting of Science Society of H.K. University, Room "K," 8.30 p.m.
Legislative Council Meeting, Council Chambers.

Crown Land Sale, Land Office, Ping Shan, 11.30 a.m.
Sales of Ponies, Jockey Club Paddock, 5.15 p.m.
A.D.C. Production, "Sarah Simple," China Fleet Club Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

21—Tides: High 3.15 a.m. and 3.37 p.m. Low 8.07 a.m. and 11.44 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.27 a.m.; Sunset 6.35 p.m.
St. Andrew's Fellowship "Get Together," 8.45 p.m.
St. Andrew's Club Annual Marathon Race, 5 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.) Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Cheero Club Darts & Table Tennis, Inter-School Sports, Caroline Hill.
22—Tides: High 6.57 a.m. and 5.22 p.m. Low 10.01 a.m.

Sunrise: 6.28 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.
Claims against estate of John Robinson due.
23—Tides: High 7.52 a.m. and 6.34 p.m. Low 12.44 a.m. and 11.48 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.26 a.m.; Sunset: 6.36 p.m.
National Day of Prayer.
Fanning Hunt and Race Club meet, Kwun, 2.45 p.m.
24—Tides: High 8.26 a.m. and 7.34 p.m. Low 1.27 a.m. and 12.54 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.24 a.m.; Sunset: 6.38 p.m.
St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth Meeting, 6.15 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.) Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Entries Close for Second Extra Meeting of H.K. Jockey Club, 5 p.m.
25—Tides: High 8.56 a.m. and 8.24 p.m. Low 2.04 a.m. and 1.47 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.23 a.m.; Sunset: 6.38 p.m.
H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.
26—Tides: High 9.21 a.m. and 8.08 p.m. Low 2.35 a.m. and 2.27 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.22 a.m.; Sunset: 6.37 a.m.
Group Discussion at St. Andrew's Church—"Is There an After Life," 8.30 p.m.
Annual Meeting of H.K. and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. (Fardine, Matheson & Co. Office) noon.

Annual Meeting of K.T.G.C.A., Club House, Waterloo Road, 6 p.m.
27—Tides: 9.47 a.m. and 9.47 p.m. Low 3.04 a.m. and 3.09 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.21 a.m.; Sunset: 6.37 p.m.
Entries Close for April Meeting, Macao Jockey Club.

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"Veronique" (Messager)—The Swing Song; Trot Here and There (Donkey Duet)—Winnie Melville & Derek Oldham with Piano. "Der Fledermaus"—Selection (Strauss)—Rale da Costa (Piano). "Tales of Hoffmann"—The Legend of Klettsack (Offenbach)—Tudor Davies (Tenor) with Orchestra. "Dollar Princes"—Medley (Faul)—Nat Shikret and His Orchestra. "The Three Waltzes"—O'Est Le Destin Feut-Elre (O. Strauss)—Yvonne Printemps (Soprano) with Orch.

1.00 Local Time Signal.
1.01 List—Sonata in B Minor.

1st Mov: Lento assai—Allegro energico—Grandioso; 2nd Mov: Allegro energico; 3rd Mov: Andante sostenuto; 4th Mov: Allegro energico—Andante sostenuto—Allegro moderato—Lento assai—Vladimir Horowitz (Piano).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.
1.45 Humorous Variety.

Vocal—Just Another Sally (Carlton)—Max Miller with Orch. Vocal—The Empire Depends on You (from "Under Your Hat")—Ciesley Courtneidge w. Orchestra. Humorous Monologue—The Mayor (Tilly)—John Tilley. Vocal—So Tired (Little and Sisamore)—Ann Penn with Orch. Humorous Sketch—Sandy's Own Broadcasting Station—Sandy Powell. Vocal—We're Still Single Today—Ethel Reynell and Grace West with Orchestra. Humorous Monologue—The Beekeeper—Stanley Holloway.

2.15 Close down.
5.45 Indian Programme.
6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.22 Half an hour with Delius. Sonata No. 2; Con moto—Lento—Molto vivace—Lionel Tertis (Viola) & George Reeves (Piano). Everyt—London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sir Thomas Beecham.

7.00 London Relay—The News.
7.15 London Relay—"From the Old Country."

Talk by Robert Donat.
7.30 Folk Music.

The Cornical Fellow (arr. Porter); Mutual Love (arr. Porter)—Folk Dance Band. Y Bore Glas (Weist Folk Song)—Margaret Rees & Weist Chorus. Twankydillo (English Folk Song)—Robert Easton and English Chorus. Danish Folk Dance—Hatte-mageren—Folk Dance Orchestra. The Bird of Armagh (Trad.)—John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano acc. Italian Folksongs—Medley (de Michelis)—Columbia Master Orchestra. O Whistle and I'll Come to You, My Lad (Folk Songs of Scotland)—Margaret Barrett (Soprano) with Piano. Scandinavian Dances—Little Man in a Fix; Sextur; Gallopink—Folk Dance Orchestra.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.
8.02 Frank Titterton (Tenor) and New Light Symphony Orchestra.

"The Waltzing Doll (Polish); At Dawning (Cadmian)—New Light Symphony Orchestra. My Dear Soul (Sanderson)—Frank Titterton (Tenor) with Piano. A Life on the Ocean (Nautical Selection)—Binding—New Light Symphony Orchestra. Songs That Live Forever—Intro: Come back to Erfo; All through the night; Annie Laurie; Sally in our Alley; Oh! No John (arr. Sharp)—Frank Titterton (Tenor) with Piano. "Jewels of the Madonna"—Introduction to Act 2 (Wolf-Ferrari)—New Light Symphony Orchestra.

8.30 Studio—"Makers of Medicine" No. 4: "Medical Humanist: Gram-marian and Doctor, Thomas Libare."

Talk by Father G. Byrne, S.J.
8.50 Violin Solos by Henry Merckel. Two Minutes from "Sonata No. 6 in E Major for Solo Violin"; Prelude from "Sonata No. 1 in G Minor for Solo Violin" (Bach).

9.00 London Relay—The News.
9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

9.30 Light French Programme with Jean Sablon and Lucienne Boyer.

Les Saltimbagues—Overture (Louis Ganne)—Orchestra Symphonique du Lutetia Wagram. Enlrasse-Moi (Pills. Tabet); Je T'aime (Pills-Tabet)—Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) with Orch. La Pille De Madame Angot—Overture (Lecocq)—Vienna Symphony Orchestra. La Chanson des Rues (Vaurais-je et Goer); Why Do You Pass Me By?—Jean Sablon (Vocal) with Orchestra. Sous Les Bees De Gaz—Java; Ma Banlieue—Valse (both from "Feerie de Paris")—L'Accordeonists Alexander and His Orch.

8.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.00 Studio—Talk by Mr. H. C. Macnamara on "The Fanning Hunt."

10.10 Songs by Leslie Hutchinson at the Piano.

I Nearly Let Love Go Slipping Through My Fingers (film "It's Love Again"); Would You? (film "San Francisco"); Love Is Everywhere (film "Look Up and Laugh"); Kiss Me Good-Night (Green-Green).

10.23 Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—This year's roses; Quickstep—I hear bluebirds—Oscar Rabin and His Strict Tempo Dance Band. Waltz—Beautiful Spring; Waltz—Vienna Folk—Harry Horlick and His Orchestra. Fox-Trot—You're Just A No Account; You're A Lucky Guy—Louis Armstrong and His Orchestra. Tangos—Carino Gaucho; Milonguita—Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.

Swing Fox-Trots—Stomp It Off; Night Glow—Tommy Dorsey and His Orch. Quicksteps—Cheerio, I'll Be Seeing You; I Must Have One More Kiss, Kiss, Kiss—Jack Payne and His Band.

11.00 Close down.

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There was a scramble for air-conditioned rooms and places in Manila on Mar. 8 as midsummer heat which had been creeping up on Manila since January struck with full force.

According to the weather bureau the maximum temperature was 95.7 degrees Fahrenheit, the highest so far this year, at 2.25 p.m., but there are many residents who could have sworn it was at least 100.

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NEW APPROACH TO ADDIS ABABA OPENED BY BRITISH CAPTURE OF BERBERA

Imperial Forces Closing In On Italians From 13 Points

LONDON, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—The force which captured Berbera was conveyed by warships, Reuter learns. Some machine-gun and artillery fire was encountered from the shore but these were quickly overcome by fire from the British ships. About 100 prisoners were captured and there are probably some more to come in. British casualties were negligible.

Not only R.A.F. bombers and fighters but R.A.F. armoured cars went into action with the military and navy in the successful assault on Berbera. The part played by the R.A.F. is described in an additional communique issued from the Middle East Headquarters.

The communique says: "Enemy for employment where they can aerodromes were heavily raided throughout the previous night and during the day, a particularly heavy attack being made on Dire-dawa aerodrome, and R.A.F. armoured cars took part in the capture of the town."

The communique adds that there were no R.A.F. casualties. With the recapture of Berbera, the only port in British Somaliland has been wrested from the Italian grasp.

This operation by a joint naval and military force means a new threat to the Italian bases of Harar and Dire-dawa.

INTENSIFIED PRESSURE
Italy's only remaining channel to the sea from Abyssinia is the route via Asmara and Massawa apart from the French-controlled line to Djibuti.

There is no possibility of reinforcements reaching the sorely tried armies of the Duke of Aosta in East Africa.

The latest news from Keren suggests that British pressure is being intensified and victory at Keren will lay open the whole of Eritrea.

Once the last shreds of Italian resistance have been overpowered, the whole Imperial forces in north-east Africa will be available.

Bristol Raid Casualties Feared High

LONDON, March 18 (Reuter).—It is now feared that casualties in Bristol, main target of Sunday night's air attacks, is heavier than at first expected.

The raid on Bristol was followed by a day of comparative quiet in which very little enemy activity over Britain was reported during daylight hours.

According to the Air Ministry a small number of aircraft crossed the coasts of Kent and north-east Scotland but no bombs are reported to have been dropped. There was no early night alert.

It is now confirmed that an enemy bomber was destroyed by anti-aircraft fire over the south coast on Saturday night.

Italians Are Exhausted After Fiasco In Albania

LONDON, March 18 (Reuter).—The Italians on the Albanian front are showing signs of exhaustion after the crushing of their big offensive last week, according to the Athens radio.

Only artillery fire was reported from the central sector yesterday.

On Saturday, the Italian launched two relatively small attacks which were easily repulsed and a further attack on Sunday morning was also disposed of without difficulty.

AIR SUCCESSES

ATHENS, March 18 (Reuter).—After quoting the achievements of the R.A.F. at Tirana on Sunday, the Athens radio announcer said that during last week 39 Italian aircraft were shot down and destroyed in air battles with Allied aircraft.

Seventeen others were severely damaged and at least 15 more were destroyed on the ground in enemy aerodromes.

Three British aircraft only were lost, the pilots of two of these returning safely.

CASTEL BENTITO BOMBED

SUCCESSFUL RAIDS IN MIDDLE EAST

LONDON, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—Further successful raids were announced in a Middle East R.A.F. communique issued in Cairo.

Heavy attacks were made on aerodromes in Castel Bentito and Makina in Tripolitania. A direct hit was registered on an ammunition dump in the Bentito aerodrome and fires were started on the other side.

Bombs dropped among the dispersed aircraft at Makina caused a number of fires which destroyed at least four aircraft, while others were severely damaged by bombs. As the last bomber left, a violent explosion occurred among the dispersed aircraft.

In Eritrea, very heavy attacks were made on enemy positions in and around Keren on Saturday and Sunday. The R.A.F. also bombed and machine-gunned a motor transport and troop concentrations and also the railway and the road.

ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH WELCOMED IN GREECE

VICTORY FOR ALLIES NOW ASSURED

ATHENS, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—By its President's speech, declares the newspaper Proiat yesterday, the United States ranges itself not only from a material standpoint but above all from a moral standpoint alongside the nations fighting for justice, liberty and civilisation.

That constitutes a guarantee that these three things will finally conquer their enemies, the paper adds.

Other papers all welcome President Roosevelt's speech, a typical comment being that of Eleftheron Vima: "Greece will show herself worthy of the confidence the great American nation has shown in her, and after victory is won, will show her gratitude to those who lent her ample and spontaneous assistance."

S.A. CONFIDENCE
CAPE TOWN, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—Confidence is expressed in Government circles here that the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill will expedite the defeat of the Axis.

Commentators consider it impossible for the Axis to succeed against the combined might of the British Empire and the most powerful nation in the world, declares the lobby correspondent of the South African Press Association.

U.S.-NAZI RELATIONS
NEW YORK, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—That Hitler will soon sever relations with the United States is considered likely by Washington diplomatic observers, according to Mr. William Simms, the well-known writer on the Berlin-Howard newspapers.

MERCY SHIP LEAVES FOR MARSEILLES

JERSEY CITY, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—The steamship Exmouth sailed on Monday for Marseilles, loaded to the top-decks with American Red Cross cargo of food, clothing, medicines and surgical supplies to the total value of \$1,250,000.

Three hundred tons of oatmeal and farina remained on the quayside as the British refused to allow it through the blockade. There were no passengers aboard.

Clearance granted by Britain and Germany for Mar. 7, was delayed because Italy needed more time to notify her naval units.

MATSUOKA DUE IN BERLIN ON SUNDAY

SHANGHAI, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—Mr. Matsuoka will spend two nights in Moscow where he is due on Sunday next, according to a Japanese despatch from Manchukuo.

He is expected in Berlin on Mar. 27 and in Rome about April 1. After his visit to Italy Mr. Matsuoka will return to Berlin for four or five days.

British Honour For Gen. Papagos

LONDON, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—The Greek Commander-in-chief, General Alexander Papagos, is to be made an honorary Knight Grand Cross (Military Division) of the Order of the British Empire. It was announced in London last night.

R.A.F. ACTIVITY IN ALBANIA

TIRANA HANGARS SET ON FIRE

ATHENS, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—Successful attacks were made by the R.A.F. on Tirana and Valona, according to a communique from the British G.H.Q. in Greece.

During an attack on Tirana on Sunday morning Italian fighters intercepted but the British bombers pressed home their attack, setting fire to the hangars and destroying a number of enemy aircraft on the ground.

British bombers returning from an operational flight shot down a large enemy seaplane into the sea near Corfu.

One British aircraft is missing from all these operations.

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Australian Tribute To Mr. Churchill

LONDON, March 18 (Reuter).—Mr. Winston Churchill is, to use the Australian phrase, a "bob-by-dazzler," a real "crackerjack" who thrives on combat.

This tribute to the British Prime Minister was paid by the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, in Manchester last night.

"He is one of the greatest leaders in all history and one of that rare type of men who do best under strain."

Terming President Roosevelt's all out appeal for help to the democracies as "magnificent," Mr. Menzies said: "This American attitude proves that to be neutral you need not be entirely unintelligent and holding no opinions on the war as some neutrals have thought. It also shows you can still give tremendous assistance to the combatant country."

Mr. Menzies described Herr Hitler as holding the views of Alice in Wonderland that "what I say three times is true," except that "Herr Hitler says it 30 times and it is still untrue."



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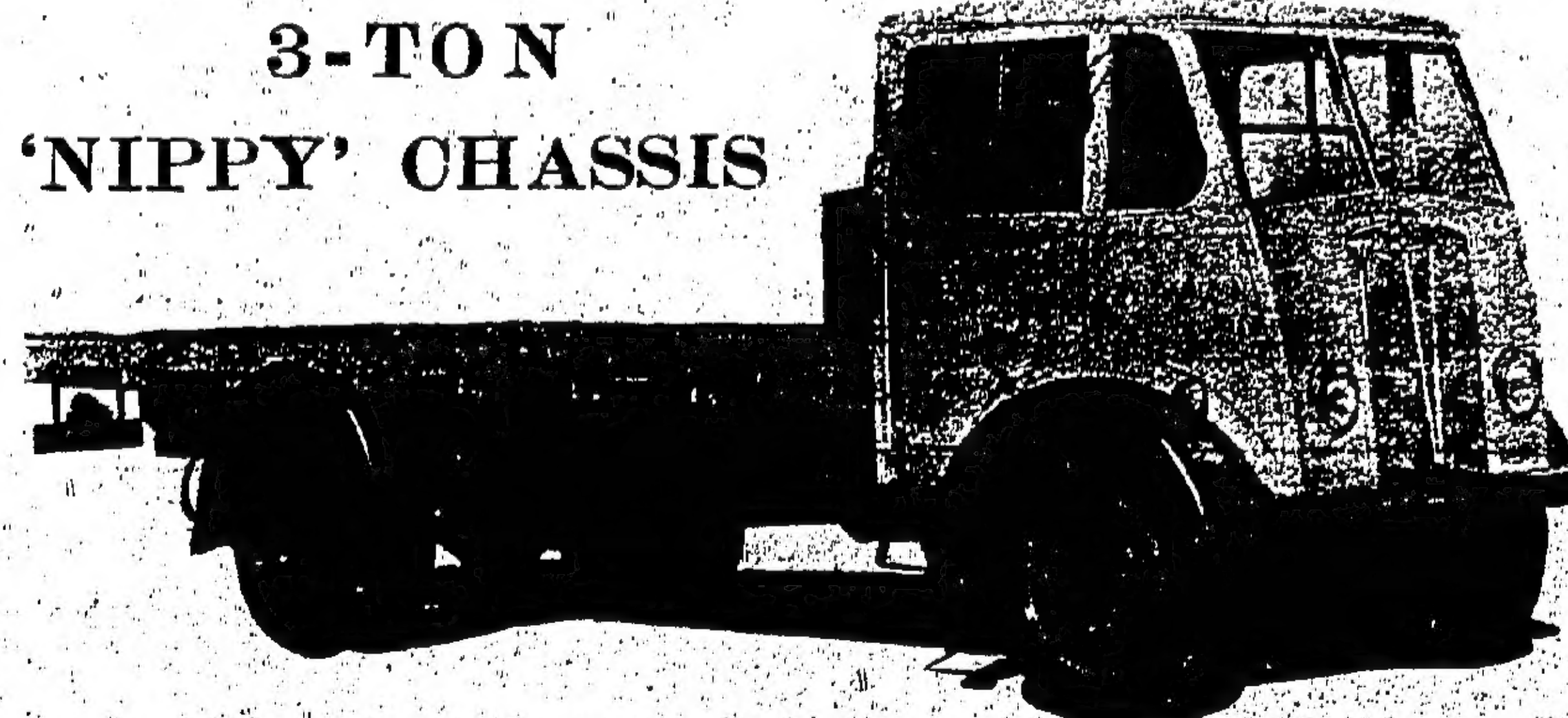
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STORY OF WOMAN WHO FELL FOR "FORTUNE"

Eyes Washed With Charm Water: 3 Men Charged

The story of how a 34-year-old married woman fell for a big fortune that never came and, instead, nearly lost all her earthly belongings was related before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., yesterday, when three unemployed men, CHAN MING, 45, CHU MING, 38, and CHUNG KI, 21, were charged with larceny by a trick from Chan Lai-king, of No. 12, Yik Yam Street, first floor, on Jan. 23 of money and jewellery to the value of \$1,535.

Compulsory Service Tribunal

APPEAL DISMISSED BY COURT

Two cases were dealt with by the Compulsory Service Appeal Tribunal which met yesterday morning when one case was dismissed and a recommendation made in the other. The court comprised the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor (Chairman), Brig. A. Peffer and the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell.

The first appellant, Mr. J. J. King, of Falconer and Co., appealed for re-assignment from the Combatant Group to the Essential Services Group on the ground that he could not find time for volunteer training.

Mr. King said that his firm was an agent for Admiralty charts the sale of which had to be looked after by a responsible person and he was the only European in charge.

The Chairman said the case was not an easy one as it did not strictly come within the preview of the Tribunal, but in view of what Mr. King had said he would recommend that he be transferred to the Essential Services Group.

APPEAL DISMISSED

The appeal by Mr. A. J. W. Evans, of the British Cigarette Co., who appealed against being assigned to the Combatant Group on the ground that the nature of his work was such that he could not find time for training was dismissed.

The Chairman remarked that he realised Mr. Evans had a grave responsibility to his employees but if there were an emergency all this would go by the board.

BRITISH OVERSEAS AIRWAYS CLOSING H.K. OFFICE

British Overseas Airways Corporation announces that they are closing their Hongkong office at the end of this month.

Any enquiries for passenger accommodation or other information can be obtained after this date from Travel Agents.

\$1,500 Bail Estreated

WARRANT TO BE ISSUED

When the name of CHAN SHU-YIP, alias Chan Shui-king, alias Shu Yin, was called at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, Mr. K. H. Shing Lo told the Chief Justice that he had been instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall to appear for the defence.

The defendant, went on Counsel, was last seen by him on Friday but all attempts made to trace his whereabouts on Monday proved fruitless. He would, therefore, leave the case in his Lordship's hands.

Chan Shu-yip, who was charged with having carnal knowledge of a 12-year-old girl at the St. Francis Hotel on Dec. 30, was on bail of \$1,500 cash which was ordered by his Lordship to be estreated.

A warrant would be issued, for his arrest.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the Crown.

MR. R. A. D. FORREST

Reports that the Immigration Inquiry will be resumed on Friday were denied by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett, Secretary to the Commission, yesterday, who stated that no date has yet been fixed.

It is learned that Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, Immigration Officer, left hospital on Monday.

SHIPBOARD ASSAULT SEQUEL

EUROPEAN OFFICER FOUND NOT GUILTY

Judgment was delivered by Mr. G. T. Lowry at the Central Magistracy yesterday in the case in which A. J. Walters, Chief Engineer of a Kan Tung, was summoned for having unlawfully molested Pau Po-kwan, Junior Immigration Assistant, in the execution of his duty on board the ship on Feb. 18 by assaulting him when he attempted to prevent the defendant leaving the ship without a pass.

Mr. Lowry said that he was satisfied that the blow was struck not because defendant was trying to prevent complainant from doing his duty, but because of the provocative words used by complainant, and found defendant not guilty of the summons.

"BLOODY BASTARD"

It will be recalled that the case for the defence was that defendant struck complainant after having been called a "bloody bastard."

Mr. D. L. Strellett represented defendant, while the prosecution was conducted by Mr. J. H. E. Lee, Deputy Immigration Officer.

MAGISTRATE'S JUDGMENT

Mr. Lowry, in the course of his judgment, said:

As I said the last time when the case came up, there was no dispute as to the fact that a blow was struck. I also said that I was satisfied that the blow was struck not because defendant was trying to prevent complainant from doing his duty, but because of the provocative words used by complainant.

Defendant was undoubtedly guilty of common assault, but the summons against him was for obstructing complainant in the execution of his duty.

These two offences are entirely of different natures, and I therefore find defendant not guilty of the summons made against him.

The case is dismissed.

TAXI-DANCER ROBBED

A taxi-dancer, Miss Kung Leung, of the Paramount Ballroom, is reported to have been robbed while being taken home in a car on Tuesday morning.

It is alleged that Miss Kung was being driven home, shortly after midnight, by four cabaret patrons and when near the Tai Hang district she was relieved of her money and valuables.

Chinese Women In Slander Action: Judgment Reserved

The action for slander in which two women, described as the wives of prominent Chinese, were concerned was concluded at the Summary Court yesterday when Mr. Justice E. H. Williams reserved judgment.

The action was brought by Mrs. Chan Pau-shi, of No. 430 Nathan Road, who claimed \$1,000 damages, alleging that defendant, Mrs. Chan Yee-koo, of No. 22 Hillwood Road, in the presence of a number of people at No. 5 King's Terrace, had called her a "lo chien" (swindler).

The defence was that plaintiff induced Mrs. Hui Sap-koo to play with her in mahjong games as her partner and taught her signs by which they were able to communicate with one another and thereby win large sums of money.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, while Mr. F. H. Losby was for the defence.

At the resumed hearing yesterday evidence was given by Mrs. Chung Yee-koo, alias Ho Chung-shi, of No. 73 Argyle Street, who said that she knew Mrs. Hui and had received \$70 from her in plaintiff's house sometime in July.

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DEATH OF MRS. LEE YAT

Mrs. Lee Yat, a well-known overseas Chinese lady, who has resided in the Colony for some years, died on Monday at her residence, No. 31, Boundary Street, at the age of 57.

The deceased came from Portland, Oregon, U.S.A., and is survived by four sons, Harry Victor, Howard and Daniel, and two daughters, Frances, Hazel, Ngan Doan, Mrs. Rose, Bowen Chan and Mrs. Florence, Walter Chung.

A memorial service will be held today, at 4 p.m., at Anderson's Funeral Parlour. The remains will be cremated and the ashes sent to America.

SOLICITOR IN BOX

Mr. S. S. Quinn, solicitor, of Messrs. G. K. Hall, Strutton & Co., said that sometime in July or August a lady came to consult him. He did not remember whether plaintiff came to consult about the question of being called a swindler, but he did remember that she consulted him about being accused of cheating at mahjong games.

After submissions by Mr. Losby and Mr. Hon, His Lordship said that in view of the importance of the case to both parties he would reserve judgment.

ROTARY CLUB TIFFIN GREETINGS FROM MANILA

Major C. Champkin was the speaker at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden yesterday.

In extending a warm welcome to two visiting Rotarians—Mr. Rufus H. Le Fevre, Past President of the Rotary Club, Williamsville, New York, and Mr. J. W. Cain, of Manila—Dr. Arthur W. Woo, President, said that Mr. Cain brought with him a special greetings from the President of the Rotary Club in Manila to the Hongkong Rotary.

Major Champkin described the life and habits of people of Kelantan as well as his experiences in that State.

PRISONER OF WAR

In thanking the speaker, Rotarian L. C. F. Bellamy said that he was sure that those present would be pleased to learn that Major Champkin's son, who was serving in the Durham Light Infantry, and who was reported missing a few days ago, was yesterday stated to be a prisoner of war in Germany, and was safe and well.

Guests present were Messrs. W. E. Sharp, D. L. Ballantyne, R. Rathmell, Lam Shan-kwok, Swing Wu, Edward W. Lee, Capt. Hyde, Messrs. L. G. Westcott, E. W. Davies, E. Kern, P. Y. Kuo, A. W. da Rosa, E. R. Childs, Dr. E. W. Kirk and Dr. A. F. Gutierrez.

Imprisonment For Jacobs

SEQUEL TO RAPE CHARGE

Found Guilty by the jury at the February Sessions on a charge of rape on a girl, Man Mui-kwai, alias Man Shiu-yin, aged 18, at King's Park on Jan. 16, PTE. FRANK KENNETH JACOBS, of the Royal Army Medical Corps, was sentenced to eight months' hard labour by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon.

His Lordship said: "I have given your case my very serious consideration and I am relieved to find that the conviction will not necessarily mean your leaving the Army. I am bearing in mind the recommendation of the jury but even then I cannot pass on you a lighter sentence than imprisonment for eight months with hard labour, the sentence to date from Feb. 21."

At the trial the Crown was represented by Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, while Mr. George She, instructed by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, appeared for the defence.

COURT MARTIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Pte. Fleming Found Not Guilty

Court martial proceedings against Pte. David Fleming, Royal Scots, charged with having been drunk while playing in a First Division football match against Middlesex Regt. at Bookinpool on March 1, were concluded at Murray Barracks yesterday morning when accused was found Not Guilty.

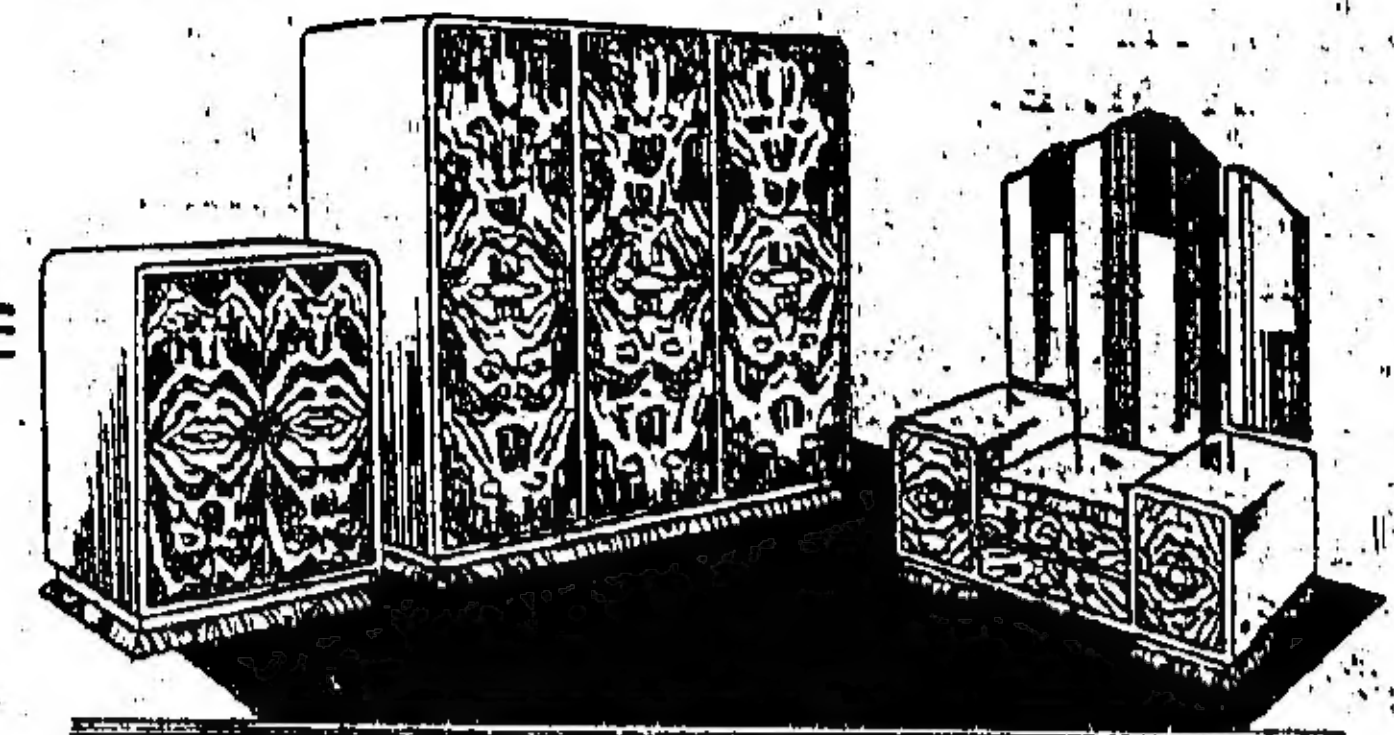
The Court, comprised Major J. M. Browning, Rajput Regt., Capt. A. O. G. Mills, Royal Artillery, and Lieut. E. W. H. Willoughby, Middlesex Regt., Capt. H. C. Farland, Royal Scots, was Prosecuting Officer and Defence Officer was Lieut. C. R. Jones, Royal Scots.

In submitting that defendant had no case to answer, Lieut. Jones said that although the prosecution had supplied witnesses who, under oath, had claimed that defendant appeared to be drunk on the field of play, no action had been taken against him until he was injured late in the second half of the match. The opportunity was then taken to arrest defendant.

NEURALGIC PAIN

Major B. D. Barclay, R.A.M.C., had said in evidence that a layman could not judge from appearances whether a man was drunk and he would imagine that a man in severe neuralgic pain would play very bad football. Lieut. Jones continued. Major Barclay had also said, when cross-examined, that a man in severe neuralgic pain

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Bad Case Of Commercial Roguary

CHINESE FIRM FINED

Written judgment was delivered by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy yesterday in the case in which Chan Chai-shueing, manager of the Kin On Firm, No. 27, Des Voeux Road West, ground floor, was summoned for an infringement of the Merchandise Marks Ordinance by having in possession for sale, or for purposes of trade or manufacture, a mixture of saccharin and potash alum, to which a false trade description had been applied.

The goods in question are saccharin manufactured by the Monsanto Chemical Company, St. Louis, U. S. A., of which Messrs. W. S. Shirley and Company is the sole agent in Hongkong.

Defendant was found guilty and was fined \$1,000 or three months' simple imprisonment, and ordered to pay \$300 towards the cost of the prosecution.

Mr. D. H. Blake was for the prosecution and Mr. E. S. C. Brooks for the defence.

In his judgment, Mr. Sheldon said, in part: "I accept the evidence of the complainant in its entirety, and reject the only defence raised that of innocence which is supported by evidence demonstrably false."

I think the complainant has established beyond all doubt that the manager and members of the Kin On Firm were actively and knowingly engaged in this fraudulent business. It is a thoroughly bad case of "commercial" roguary, which if undisturbed might have done incalculable harm to the reputation of Messrs. Shirley and Company.

would by his actions give others the impression that he was drunk. Others including Major J. D. Fraser, R.A.M.C., who treated Fleming after the match for a knee injury, testified that Fleming's condition appeared normal.

The Defence Officer concluded by pointing out that no action had been taken by the referee against Fleming in the course of the football match.

The Court acquitted Fleming after a short retirement.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office at China Buildings, 5th floor, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 3rd April, 1941, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and a Statement of Account for the year ending the 28th February, 1941, and of electing three Directors and an Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 28th March to the 3rd April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
FUNG PING FAN,
Director & Secretary.
Hong Kong, 18th March, 1941.

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CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSUMERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Company's standard charges will be increased as from 17th March, 1941, by adding a 10% surcharge to the amounts charged for electricity consumed for lighting and power as per meters read on and after 24th April, 1941.

The existing scale of discounts will remain in force.

By order of the Board of Directors,
D. W. MUNTON,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 8th March, 1941.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 24th day of March, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. 4183	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4183	As per sale plan	1,114	168	18,238
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The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$1,823 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 3RD APRIL, 1941, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31ST OCTOBER, 1940.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 24th MARCH, 1941, to THURSDAY, the 3RD APRIL, 1941, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 18th March, 1941.

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The Hong Kong & China Gas Co., Ltd. hereby give notice that, due to increased coal costs, Gas charges will be revised as from the March meter readings by an increase of 50 cents per 1000 cu. ft. and a reduction in present discount rates.

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Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 31st March, 1941, at noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 18th to 31st March, 1941, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 10th March, 1941.

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THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-second Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building on Thursday, 20th March, 1941 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1940 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 8th March to 20th March, 1941 both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
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Agents.
Hong Kong, 21st February, 1941.

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THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 20th day of March, 1941, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary General Meeting of the Company shall have terminated for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:—

"1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hongkong currency, part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund, and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company as on the first day of April One thousand nine hundred and forty-one in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share for every three shares of the Company held by them respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1941.

"2. That if on such distribution as aforesaid any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractions making up such share."

By order of the Board of Directors,
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Agents.
Hong Kong, 21st February, 1941.

NOTE:—

Under the powers conferred upon them by Article 12 of the Articles of Association of the Company, the Directors have decided to offer to Shareholders on the Register on the 1st day of April 1941, one share at par for every complete three shares held by them (excluding the Bonus Shares to be offered to them under the preceding resolution) upon the terms that payment for such shares shall be made to the Company's Bankers, The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hong Kong on or before the 30th September 1941 and that Shareholders be given power to renounce their rights under such offer and that no rights attach to any fractions. The shares taken up under the above offer shall rank for dividends as from 1st day of July 1941. Formal letters of offer, acceptance and renunciation will be sent to Shareholders as soon as possible after April 1st next.

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FUNERAL OF MRS. C. SADICK

The funeral of Mrs. Christine Sadick, wife of Mr. O. Sadick, took place at the Mohammedan Cemetery yesterday when a large number of relatives and friends attended to pay their last respects. Mulvi Mohammed Noor Shah led the prayers in the Mosque and at the grave.

The late Mrs. Sadick, who was only 27 years of age, died at her residence, No. 52 Village Road, yesterday morning.

A large number of floral tributes were sent.

Mr. S. E. Faber, residing at No. 20, Braga Circuit, has reported the theft of a slide rule, valued at \$50, from his car parked in Canton Road on Monday.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1941.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1941, to WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1941.

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GRAVE CHOLERA MENACE

THE RECURRENCE of the cholera menace so early in the year and its rapidly increasing toll of victims raises once again the question of the problems which confront the health authorities in the Colony and the measures that are necessary to solve them.

The outbreak of cholera in such alarming proportions even before the hot weather, with which its advent is usually associated, has set in, indicates that the public is as much to blame as the health authorities in being over lax in the matter of precautionary measures. Anything that is done now to check the epidemic will be so much like closing the stable door after the horse has been allowed to get away. The complacency of the public—and we refer here to the poorer working classes and thousands of slum dwellers—on matters of health is truly appalling. The way in which filth and rubbish is permitted to accumulate in tenements and shop-houses during the winter months is the surest way of inviting the cholera germ to begin its deadly work of infection. The compulsory cleaning out by the Sanitary Department is far too inadequate and spaced out to be effective and even then the work is only hurriedly done. A more drastic programme of visits by health officers and their staffs to these crowded dwellings and a rigorous destruction of the rubbish which these tenants pile up in every nook and corner of the premises they live in is urgently needed.

THIS, HOWEVER, is only one aspect of the insanitary conditions which prevail in Hongkong. There are, of course, numerous other causes which contribute to the spreading of the cholera germ. An important one is the disorganisation in the removal and disposal of night-soil. In the meantime, of course, the unsatisfactory position has been allowed to deteriorate to its present state. Even now there is no reason why the proposals advocated by unofficial members during the recent Council debate should not be immediately adopted and given a fair chance to succeed under strict Government supervision. Such a course would, at least, alleviate the present state of affairs and contribute to the measures that will have to be taken to combat the cholera scourge. The longer the matter is left in abeyance while Government considers the question, the greater will be the incidence of the menace.

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE to leave the subject of the Colony's health and the risks to which it is open in the matter of epidemics without referring to the overcrowding which prevails today. Hongkong's surplus population shows no sign of decreasing. Every shophouse is packed with families who exist in the most ill-ventilated and insanitary cubicles into which avaricious landlords have divided up every foot of available space. Those unable to pay the exorbitant rentals of \$5 or \$6 a month for such unhealthy accommodation are forced to live on the pavements, huddled together with their belongings in a manner that is nauseating to passers-by and creating a situation which is a disgrace to living conditions in a British colony. It is common enough to see a food hawk setting up his stall in the closest proximity to these pavement dwellers at all hours of the day and night, thereby almost certainly increasing the danger of infection from food. In view of the present outbreak, it is incumbent on the health authorities to ban the exposure of food for sale on streets and pavements, in addition to conducting daily inspection of Chinese eating houses and cafes where cleanliness is by no means apparent. As far as inoculation of the public is concerned, invitations to the people to attend the free clinics will never ensure that every man, woman and child has received treatment and house to house visits must be carried out if the epidemic with which the Colony is threatened is to be effectively checked.

BLACK-OUT AT TAIPO

A black-out exercise to test the effect of the Star-lighting system was held at Taiipo last evening from 11 p.m. to midnight. Reports received indicate that the exercise proved to be successful.

In addition to the Star-lighting system, it was learned, two other systems necessitating the use of blue bulbs were also experimented with.

Many air raid wardens participated in the exercise. The majority of the Taiipo residents, it was learned, remained at home.

JUNK MASTER PUSHED OVERBOARD

A robbery occurred in British waters on Mar. 18 when eight Chinese men, armed with pistols, ransacked a boat and threw the master overboard.

According to a report, Mo Tong, master of class IV boat No. 1891P, stated that about 11 p.m. his boat was anchored at Peng Chau, Miao Bay, when eight robbers boarded the craft from a sampan. After one-and-a-half hours' sailing he was pushed overboard. After three hours' swimming he reached Sui Tau Sha where he was picked up by a relative. The total loss was \$44.

removal and disposal of night-soil. In the meantime, of course, the unsatisfactory position has been allowed to deteriorate to its present state. Even now there is no reason why the proposals advocated by unofficial members during the recent Council debate should not be immediately adopted and given a fair chance to succeed under strict Government supervision. Such a course would, at least, alleviate the present state of affairs and contribute to the measures that will have to be taken to combat the cholera scourge. The longer the matter is left in abeyance while Government considers the question, the greater will be the incidence of the menace.

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Mr. Tsiang Sam, merchant, of 11 Tak Shing Street, and Miss Chan Shuk-han, of 134 Third Street;

Mr. Liu Shui-kam, merchant, of 69 Battery Street, ground floor, and Miss Chan Shu-kan, of 6 Tang Lung Street, ground floor;

Mr. Mok Wai-yin, merchant, of 39 Cumberland Road, and Miss Wong Mo-han, 246 Queen's Road West, first floor;

Mr. Leung Wai-lin, bank clerk, of 13 Lock Road, first floor, and Miss Chan Wai-lin, office clerk, of 8 Jordan Road, third floor;

Mr. Chung Sake-fai, building contractor, of 38 Tak Ku Ling Rd., and Miss Leung Moon-wah, of 697 Nathan Road, first floor;

Mr. Poon Shu-che, building contractor, of 85 Wing Lok Street, and Miss Lee Sau-mah, of 5 Bute Street;

Mr. Fung Man-chiu, student, of 1 Caine Road, and Miss Mok Shu-han, of 183 Wanchai Road. Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar of Marriages, officiated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming weddings were announced at the Registry:—

Mr. Robert Hervey Blake, merchant, of 400 The Peak, and Miss Phyllis Mary Catharine Haslam, sister, of the War Memorial Nursing Hospital.

Mr. Henrique Augusto Vieira Ribeiro, clerk, of 237 Nathan Rd., top floor, and Miss Nadia Maria Franco, of 24 Carnarvon Road, ground floor.

Mr. Lee Shih-yao, merchant, of 21 Bonham Strand West, and Miss Choi Pui-kuen, teacher, of 2 St. Stephen's Lane.

BITTEN BY DOG

Freddy Abner, a 12-year-old boy, of No. 540, Nathan Road, second floor, was bitten by a dog yesterday and was treated at the hospital. The dog, belonging to a Lai Si-sung, of No. 542, Nathan Road, was sent for examination.

EXCELLENT ACTING IN BRIGHT MILNE COMEDY

Sheila Mackinlay Outstanding As "Sarah Simple": Claude Burgess, Day Sage Act Well

The setting for "SARAH SIMPLE," one of A. A. Milne's best comedies on a romantic note, is the simple one of a little place in the country where abide William Bendish, landscape painter who made a fortune from inventing a new and better corkscrew, and Marianne, widow of Canon Bell-Mason.

Bendish, separated from his wife, Sarah, for some eight years, is about to fall for all the charm directed at his person by the beseeching Marianne, but up to the moment from which the story, as unfolded on the stage, starts, he has succeeded in warding off all attempts at tying the bond of matrimony, the while having in no way neglected all the charm of Marianne.

Hardly has Bendish confessed at long last to the fact that he is tied legally yet to his wife than Sarah, the wife, enters herself on the scene. She is as beautiful a Sarah as the one that left him nearly a decade ago, a most charming and desirable Sarah, possessed too of every other desirable attribute that is lacking in Marianne.

BECOMING HATS

Sarah explains that she has established herself in Park Avenue, New York, as a creator of becoming hats, and proceeds to educate her niece, Alfrida, to the fact that twenty minutes spent in adjusting one's hat on one's head is time that has never been wasted if the result achieved is at all a satisfactory one.

Alfrida is but slightly interested, all her time and effort being directed to caring for her scholarly twin-brother, Amys, who does not believe in Charles Chaplin or in any reference to the best directors of film classics being resident in America. Amys thinks too that a sense of humour has been the curse of Anglo-Saxon art.

Neither Amys or Alfrida get along too well with their would-be aunt, Marianne, and the former briefly replies to one of her queries that "Some of us (at the school) are beginning to see through cricket." As the plot moves on, ever faster, the affections of William Bendish return to his former wife, and the final curtain suggests a reunion.

BRIGHT CAST

The play, as presented by the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club at the China Fleet Club Theatre last night, was greeted with one of the loudest receptions accorded any amateur effort here recently. If any measure can be taken of the volume of clapping, the cast was a compact and bright one with SHEILA MACKINLAY turning in an outstanding performance as the Park Avenue hat-shop sophisticate, Sarah Simple.

CLAUDE BURGESS, as William Bendish, is always in full command of the situation and gives the play added zest in a masterly interpretation of an oft-bored recluse being prodded back to life by a wily widow and a charming, former-runaway wife.

DAY SAGE as Marianne Bell-Mason, does very well in the part of a fidgety widow, intent on getting her man. Her attempts to interest the twins in her own school days and the final scene where she informs the sleepy Bendish that she is giving him up in favour of a Mediterranean cruise, are wonderfully done.

TWINS SUPERS

The twins are superb. Amys and Alfrida (TIM FORTESCUE and JOAN CRITCHETT) are the children of Derek Bendish, who, his brother tells the audience, leaves for Africa every now and then to satisfy an annual grudge against elephants, and the twins live up to the reputation of being the children of such an unusual personality.

Charles the Walter (WILLIAM KIRBY), who conducts research in the homey poisons and disbelieves in people with "haquiline countenances" is another character that fits in perfectly with the whole, and is well-acted.

The play was produced by CYRIL BROWN, who most evidently did a good job by it, and the Stage Management is ably directed by CHARLES GILMORE—V. V. K.

NEWSETTES

The Photographic Society of Hongkong held its monthly meeting at Cafe Wiseman last night.

A lecture on "First Aid to the Injured" was given by Dr. J. E. Dovey at the Board Room of the S.C.M. Post yesterday evening.

The Yau-nai ferry Man Tak collided with No. 6 Police launch near the entrance to the Yau-nai Typhoon Shelter on Monday. The Police launch was slightly damaged.

The third concert at the Diocesan Boys' School yesterday, sponsored by the Hongkong Schools' Musical Association, was featured by fine renderings by the Choir of St. Joseph's Church, Miss Carolyn Braga and Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, at the piano. The conductor was the Rev. Father A. Riganti.

Under the auspices of the Hongkong University Medical Society, Dr. Annie Sydenham M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of the Alice Memorial Hospital, will give a lecture on "Fifteen Years of Midwifery" in the Union Assembly Room on Friday, March 21, at 5.30 p.m.

The next general meeting of the Science Society will be held tomorrow (Thursday), at 8.30 p.m., in Room "K" of the Main Building, when Dr. H. S. Frank, Ph.D., Professor of Chemistry, Lingnan University, will deliver a lecture entitled "The Nature of the Chemical Bond." All interested will be welcome.

"BRITAIN SPEAKS:"**MINOR & MAJOR ATTITUDES
TOWARDS PRESENT WAR:
WORLD SPRING-CLEANING**

"We cannot fight this war on a democratic basis unless we trust the people. This war, therefore, is a huge spring-cleaning of the world and is part of the coming social revolution," said MR. J. P. PRIESTLEY, the eminent novelist, when he broadcast from London yesterday in the series "BRITAIN SPEAKS."

"Tonight," began Mr. Priestley, "I want to give you a picture, as clear and as honest as I can make it, of the various attitudes towards this war of the people here. I shall divide them into three minor and three major groups. I call the first three minor, because they are held by a tiny proportion of the population. These are the people against war."

THE FIRST GROUP

"The first group are those people who are against this war because they are pro-Nazi or pro-Fascists and probably before the war belong to the British Union of Fascists. They are obviously potential Fifth Columnists, but I cannot imagine that there are very many of them. There are far more pro-Nazi organisations in the United States than there has been at any time in this country."

"The second of these anti-war groups are the ultra-Pacifists, who believe that war itself is the greatest evil, even worse than the Gestapo and Concentration Camps. I do not agree with that view, but I respect it. Many such Pacifists do not only rule out the doctrine of violence, but attempt to prove that one side is just as bad as the other, that Democracy is not worth fighting for, and so on. They represent only a very small proportion of the whole country, and there are fewer of them in this war than in the last."

MOST ACTIVE GROUP

"The third, and the most active, of the small anti-war groups has its nucleus in the Communist Party. After first supporting the war, the Communists suddenly did a lightning turn around and denounced it as an Imperialist war—whatever that may be. What is certain is that the Communist Party lines are based on defeatist tactics, and, therefore, they work for the defeat of the Government by trying to spread discontent among the workers."

"Somewhat or the other, I feel certain that our workers will emerge from this war without being influenced by this attitude. As for the Communists in Germany itself and in defeated France, one would have thought that if the workers were to rise they would have risen now in Germany and France."

"What is the matter with this argument is seen in what happened in Russia. It is like many Communist arguments—pedantic rather than realistic."

"This is really the most highly organised of the anti-war group, but it is relatively very small and below one per cent. of the adult population."

MAJOR GROUPS

"Now let us turn to the three major groups who want to fight this war. The first group, whose members are always getting into trouble, consists of persons who were staunch supporters of the Chamberlain Government. They

**LITTLE NAZI AIR
ACTIVITY**

LONDON, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—There was little air activity over Britain yesterday and London had no alert up to a late hour. Enemy planes were over the north-east and east Anglian coasts but there were no reports of bombs.

LONDON, March 18 (Reuter).—Mr. Matsumoto, the Japanese Foreign Minister, has arrived at the Russian frontier station of Opor, states a message to the official news agency. He is on his way to Berlin.

CAIRO, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—Sirry Pasha, Egyptian Premier, informed the Chamber that he had told Mr. Anthony Eden that Egypt rigidly intended to help the democracies and firmly believed in an ultimate triumph for the cause of liberty and civilisation.

see in this war a repetition of the last war. This time, they say, it's Herr Hitler and last time it was the Kaiser. The weapons and methods are really the same.

"Most of them say that war brings about unreasonable change of life, and they blame Hitler and his Nazis for barging in and causing it. 'We have all to rally round now and teach the brute some manners,' they say. 'Once we have done that, we can all settle down and be back in the days of August 1939.'"

"But we are fighting for our traditional rights and privileges and way of living and for the independence of the state which are now menaced by Germany," said Mr. Priestley. "If sacrifices are to be made, these people are ready to make them, but they are suspicious of any changes in the social and economic structures in this country. They tend to get very irritated with that suspicious kind of irritation which suggests the kind of person who does not want to think, and, therefore, I think it would be dangerous to confuse 1914 with 1939."

PROFOUND CHANGES

"A great deal has happened in the world since the Treaty of Versailles was signed. And these people lack imagination and have never looked at the world we are living in now. They have lived in some charming corner of their own, and they do not realise that the years have brought some profound changes to this world."

"Many of them are persons of considerable influence and it seems to some of us that this is a great pity. I think many of the people in general, the ordinary folk, go into this first major group, and most of them go into the second and infinitely larger group. I imagine, though I have no evidence of this, that a large proportion of the American public would have to be included in a similar group."

"The people in this very large group know very well that this war is not the last war all over again. They realise that Herr Hitler and his Nazis must not be confused with the Kaiser. They know what this war is not, but they don't know what it is. They do know that it must be fought until Nazism is destroyed, and they are prepared to do everything in their power to ensure victory. They find it impossible, however, to take a direct line of thought about this war. They don't fully comprehend what it is, but they are sensible enough to realise that when this war is won, we cannot return to the pre-war world."

"The gigantic surprises, such as were sprung upon us in May and June last year, may well be sprung upon us again. We have to start working things out all over again. It is like trying to add up a long column of figures, while the figures themselves keep changing."

MOST IMPORTANT

"But the bewilderment of this group of people becomes more than bewilderment when it begins to realise in what direction the world is moving, and how we ought to think about this war. I say this is most important of all, because this war must not only be fought to a finish, but must also be continually and carefully thought about. These pains are part of the world's growing pains, and are necessary if we are to arrive at a period of purity and prosperity."

"This brings me to the third of the major groups," continued Mr. Priestley. "This consists of those who have, from the first rise of Nazism, denounced it. They don't denounce it as an ugly phenomenon, but as a dangerous product for a world in a dangerous condition. They know that Nazism is more than a fundamental challenge to democracy."

"We have to fight this war with both hands, and, therefore, one hand must come out of its pockets where it has been busy turning over money. We cannot fight this war on a democratic basis unless we trust the people. This war, therefore, is a huge spring-cleaning of the world and is part of the coming social revolution."

**BRITISH
BUSINESS IN
HANKOW****"FACING BLANK
WALL OF PROHIBITED
TRADE"**

HANKOW, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—British subjects and interests in Ichang are suffering seriously from unpleasant restrictions and virtual boycott, particularly in matters of obtaining requisite funds and necessary supplies, including foodstuffs which they are not allowed to buy from Japanese shops.

This was revealed at the annual general meeting of the British Chamber of Commerce by the Chairman, Mr. D. B. Tait, who said that British business in Hankow in 1940 experienced another year of "facing a blank wall of prohibited trade."

"On the import side, there was not one British trade transaction report," Mr. Tait proceeded, "looking down-river, the page of progress is quite blank."

"The Chairman stated that all British and foreign tonnage, excluding Japanese, remained idle for a year long."

**NORD COASTAL
SHIPPING****Restrictive Measures
Imposed By Nazis**

LONDON, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—German nervousness regarding Norwegian coastal shipping finds expression in a fresh decree limiting its freedom of movement and enacting penalties that may extend to death, according to a Norwegian telegraph agency.

The new order, which was issued by the Reich Commissioner, forbids coastal vessels to leave Norwegian ports without permission from the German authorities and decrees that no vessels shall depart from the route set out in the permit. Fishing craft are forbidden to sail outside the limit of the Norwegian coastal water, which extend to a limit of 30 miles from the coast, while pleasure craft, sailing and other boats are forbidden to go more than three miles from the coast.

**U.S. ASSISTANCE FOR THREE
LANDMARKS IN CIVILIZATION
—BRITAIN, GREECE & CHINA**

"The elected representatives of the American people have now made into law a bill which provides that Great Britain and her allies can draw on the resources of the United States for all the supplies they need to carry on their fight against German aggression to a final and victorious decision," said MR. LEONARD INGRAMS, the well-known economist, when he broadcast from London on Monday on the significance of the passing of the Lease and Lend Bill.

Referring to a recent statement on the subject by General Smuts, the South African Prime Minister, Mr. Ingrams declared that what General Smuts meant was that the fate and the future of western civilisation will now be decided as it was 1,800 years ago when Aquila, another Hun, was defeated.

NO STALEMATE

General Smuts had made the most important implication of the American decision when he declared that the struggle must now proceed and that there was no hope of a stalemate or the remotest chance of appeasement. Mr. Winston Churchill had already assured them too that Britain would never give in.

"We have always known that in our hearts," said Mr. Ingrams, "and from now on we know that whatever our fate may be in the months to come, the ultimate defeat of Germany and everything Germany stands for is certain. We know that if our children and our children's children are to live, these things which we are doing now are worthwhile."

Mr. Ingrams commented on the fact that he had received many letters from friends in America complaining of the lack of British propaganda in that country, and the ineptitude of British information. They had drawn his attention to the colossal sums that Dr. Goebbels there and all over the world to try to enlist sympathy for the German cause.

HELP FOR ALL TIME

"If Dr. Goebbels listened to President Roosevelt's speech—if he was not too busy thinking out something for Herr Hitler to put into his speech—he would have heard

**WINSTON CHURCHILL
THANKS AMERICA**

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this war. In the last few months we have had eminent American citizens who visited these shores and found them unconquerable. They were MR. WENDELL WILLKIE, MR. HARRY HOPKINS and now MR. AVERELL HARRIMAN.

"I have talked with these men and discovered their mind and their spirit. I have observed that they will be ready to give their lives rather than permit a doctrine of barbarism to survive."

"You, Mr. Ambassador, share our purpose; you share our dangers and you share our sacrifices and you will share our hopes which will come when the United States and Britain will share together the crown of victory."—(Special)

MR. WINANT'S SPEECH

Replying, Mr. Winant, dedicated himself to the policies of Britain and America to "help one another to build a new world happier than the last," says Reuter.

"Today the British people's non-our and destiny of man are the bridgeheads of humanity's hopes. It is their privilege to stand against the ruthless powerful dictators who would destroy the lessons of 2,000 years of history, and to tell them you shall not pass."

"The world has known tyranny before, but never tyranny more cruel, absolute or so relentlessly organised."

Mr. Winant repeated the President's assurances of American aid and added: "The road ahead is hard. A new spirit is abroad. The free peoples are again co-operating to win a free world, and no tyranny can frustrate their hopes."

"From the sacrifices of those who now suffer and die, these shall be built, with God's help, again."

THE FRONT LINE

Mr. Winant, states a London message, added, "In the struggle against Nazism, the people of Britain hold the front line but they do not stand alone. Your Dominions and your Colonies are mustering their forces to give you their help."

"America has gone into action and has mobilised with ever growing speed its resources to make available to you the sinews of war."

"We have not been deceived by Nazism. We want a civilised world of free people. In the world

of today a much greater degree of co-operation is required in order to give it a higher standard of living."—(Special)

**Nazi Setback
In Yugoslavia****Belgrade Intractable
Despite Italian
Concentration**

LONDON, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—There are authentic indications that German plans met a setback in Yugoslavia and a first consequence has been to slow down whatever action Germany contemplated against Greece.

Germany's primary aim of securing the right of transit through the Vardar valley and, as a second alternative, of securing Yugoslavia's benevolent non-belligerency by joining her to the Axis pact, both seem to have been resolutely resisted.

Even a concentration of 60,000 Italian troops on the Dalmatian frontier has not made Belgrade more tractable. It will not be surprising that Germany is not disposed to act against Greece with a non-belligerent Yugoslavia as a potential menace to her long line of communication.

In face of this setback to the desperate Italian offensive in Albania, however, Hitler must act quickly if his help is to save Mussolini from as big a disaster in Albania as he met in Libya. The Italian armies must be in a very vulnerable position after their great losses and it is only to be expected that the Greeks and the Royal Air Force will exploit the opportunities of the situation.

BELGRADE CONFAB

LONDON, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—Mr. Ronald Campbell, the British Minister to Yugoslavia, had a long interview with Mr. Tsvetkovitch, Yugoslav Premier, yesterday, states a Belgrade dispatch to the German news agency.

**PATUNG, CHIHKWEI
BOMBED**

ENSHI, Mar. 18 (Central).—Patung, and Chihkwei, Yangtze River towns in western Hupeh near the Szechwan border, were raided yesterday morning by Japanese aircraft. Although numerous bombs were dropped over both places the damage caused was slight, as most of the bombs fell wide off their objectives.

**INDIAN RESPONSE
TO APPEAL**

NEW DELHI, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—In response to the appeal issued by the Director General of Supply, 485 revolvers, 252 compasses and 479 binoculars were received.

TOKYO, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—The trade understanding between Japan and Venezuela, concluded on July 1, 1939, has been practically renewed as from Mar. 11, the Information Board announced.

**Twelve New Cruisers
For British Navy**

Interesting information is disclosed in the new issue of JANE'S FIGHTING SHIPS just published, states a London message.

Twelve new cruisers have been built for the British Navy, five of the Fiji Class of 8,000 tons and carrying 12 6-inch guns and seven of the Dido Class, of 5,480 tons, with 10 guns of the new type of 5.52-inch calibre.

Twenty new destroyers have been constructed since the war began and they were completed in 18 months. Two of them, one H.M.S. Holderness, were recently mentioned by the Admiralty as being concerned with having shot down enemy aircraft.

There has also been building in other parts of the world.

JAPAN-BUILDING

It appears that Japan has four battleships under construction which are considerably smaller than their existing battle cruisers.

The United States Navy is building six battle cruisers but no details of the American design have been released officially.—(Special)

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**CO-ORDINATION OF
JOURNALISTIC ENTERPRISES
WITH NATIONAL DEFENCE**

Close co-ordination of journalistic enterprises with national defence and military and political administrations of the country was the primary aim of the formation of the Chinese Institute of Journalism, declared Mr. Fan Kung-chan, Vice-Minister of Publicity, in his opening address at the inauguration ceremony of the Institute which took place in Chungking. The Institute has a membership of 369 persons representing twenty-four provinces and municipalities.

The ceremony was attended by a Mr. Wang Yin-san from Homan representative gathering of high Government and Party officials including President Tai Chi-tao of the Examination Yuan, Mr. Yu Jen of the Control Yuan, Dr. H.E. Kung, Vice-President of the Executive Yuan, Dr. Wang Shih-chieh, Minister of Publicity, Mr. Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education, Mr. Ku Cheng-kang, Minister of Social Welfare, Mr. Chen Fu-lai, veteran journalist and member of the C.E.C., and Mr. T.T. Hsiao, Director of the Central News Agency.

MR. PAN'S SPEECH

Mr. Pan Kung-chan, in his opening speech, said that the Institute aims at mobilising the strength of newspapermen throughout the country and studying ways and means of effecting close co-ordination of journalistic enterprises with national defence and military and political administrations of the country.

Dr. Wang Shih-chieh pointed out that since the establishment of the National Government, the moral and intellectual standards of newspapermen have been greatly elevated, and San Min Chu I has been universally adopted as the basis of a common faith.

Mr. Ku Cheng-kang said that the Institute will not only form a strong citadel of newspapermen but it is to be the center of command of public opinion.

President Yu Yu-jen and President Tai Chi-tao also spoke on the occasion. Other speakers included Mr. Chen Fu-lai, Mr. Liang Han-chao and Mr. Chen Kuo-fu.

PROPOSALS SUBMITTED

At the first general meeting of the Institute held in the afternoon under the chairmanship of Mr. T.T. Hsiao, the following proposals were submitted for discussion:

1. That the Ministry of Education be requested to open a course of journalism in all the national universities and the curriculum for the course be fixed.
2. That measures be taken for the relief of unemployed newspapermen.
3. That a memorial service be held for newspapermen who died in the performance of their duties.
4. That a system of savings and insurance for newspapermen be instituted.

The entire body of the members were entertained in the evening at a dinner given jointly by the Ministry of Education and Ministry and Social Welfare.—(Central News)

MELBOURNE, Mar. 18 (Reuter)

The Government is planning to revive man-power owing to the growing need of the services and armament industries.

LAHORE, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—The death is announced of Sir Mohamed Hyat Khan Noon, father of the Indian High Commissioner in London.

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A DEFENCE OF THE KING OF BELGIUM

BY JOHN CUDAHY

Below is the 3rd instalment of an extract from Life of Nov. 25, 1940, written by MR. JOHN CUDAHY, former United States Ambassador to Belgium, in which he clears King Leopold of the Belgians, of the charge of "treason."

(We are indebted to the Belgian Ambassador to China for the article).

What had happened was that the French Ninth Army had collapsed on a front of nearly fifty miles from Maastricht nearly to Dinant and through this great breach German mechanised divisions were rushing across south-eastern Belgium to the sea. Another German force had struck the French First Army, which had manned the Iron Wall from Wavre to Wamur and had rolled this army back in precipitous confusion.

The movement of the Allied armies in Belgium had become a precipitous retreat. And now arose that inevitable conflict, which will always arise in allied command when the luck is out. Perhaps there was still time to save the million-odd British, Belgian and French soldiers if immediate decision had been taken to join the main French Army on the Somme, but no one proposed such a plan, and it is self-evident that no one but the French would have agreed to it.

For, so far as Belgium was concerned, the war was in defence of the country and to have retreated to France leaving the homeland at the mercy of the invader would have been perfidy.

WAS UNTHINKABLE

The British were, likewise, in the fight primarily for England. To have abandoned the Channel ports and left England vulnerable from the continent was unthinkable. So while it might have been tactically advisable in the first week of the battle in Belgium to have withdrawn in a massed defence in France, from a morale viewpoint this was out of the question.

On May 22, the German advance had gained Boulogne, and Calais fell the day following. Retirement to the south was now impossible. The German thrust had wedged a barrier between France and Belgium. This was the dark outlook when General Weygand was summoned from Syria to take command of the defeat. He had flown from Paris through a lively bombardment, was forced to the ground at Calais, narrowly escaping being shot down. Weygand's first words on reaching the King's headquarters were: "They have given me a disaster."

To the Commander-in-Chief the King told in detail the hopelessness of his position, how his troops ranged on a 50-mile front, were overwhelmed by the smashing German air attack, how great hordes of panic-driven refugees had swarmed across the country, fleeing before the terrifying blows rained from the skies on the towns and villages, had so cluttered the Flanders roads that military movements became almost impossible, how, wild with panic and crazed by lack of food and water, they had spread demoralisation among the Belgian troops; how the constant retreat had weakened morale, how the pulverizing advance had cut off any effective liaison with the British, how exhausted the King's men were after ten days without sleep, always fighting in retreat, and with no hope of reversing the discouraging outlook.

WHERE WERE THE FRENCH?

Where were the French? The King had no information and General Weygand could give him none. The 60th and 88th Divisions, remnants of the French 7th Army, had been placed under Leopold's command when the Dutch capitulated on May 15, and were now between Zebrugghe and Knocke near the frontier of Holland. These the King proposed to release but Weygand refused the responsibility for it was impossible in the face of the lightning German attack to propose any objective for the French force other than that of saving their skins. Disheartened, scattered segments of the defeated First and Ninth Armies were now somewhere south of the British in the region from Lille to Gravelines on the Channel, and the British lines, as far as could be ascertained at this juncture, reached from Audenarde to Menin.

General Gort, had been notified of Weygand's expected coming and had agreed to be present at this important conference on the morning of May 21, but hours passed and he did not appear, and in the late afternoon, the French Commander-in-Chief was forced to return to Paris without a meeting

with the commanding officer of the British Army.

ANOTHER CONFERENCE

At 9 o'clock that night, General Gort came to the Belgian headquarters at Saint Andre near Bruges, and there was another conference between Gort, the King and General Billotte. The meeting lasted until a late hour, and again the King described the military impossibility of his position, emphasising the hopelessness of any movement in the presence of an estimated half-million howling refugees, the constantly narrowing battlefront, and above all, the smashing aerial attacks, against which there was no challenge from Allied planes. He told about his meeting with the French Commander-in-Chief, and how Weygand had agreed that the only hope was a determined counter-attack to break up the armoured German column that had gained the coast, separated the Allied forces and was menacing encirclement. It was evident that there could be no possibility of organised defence until this was accomplished for the Germans with such power and such incredible swiftness that their assault was like a storm.

A counter-offensive was the only solution, but in the confusion and wild disorder it was almost impossible to formulate a plan. Above all it was impossible to reduce dispositions and troop movements to writing. General Billotte, as superior authority, was entrusted to do what he could and to use his discretion. Such was the understanding as Billotte went out into the night and started back to Ypres. A few minutes later, in the darkness, a French Army truck smashed into his motor and he was fatally injured, dying a few days later, so badly hurt that he was unable to execute any order.

FAILED UTTERLY

The French and British counter-attack was attempted the next day, but failed utterly. From all I could learn, the British were unable to strike at all and the French offensive wilted and failed after the first attempts at attack.

But now that no rescuing offensive was possible, there was no longer a question of a defeat. The question was to save anything at all, to avoid a complete debacle. Already the British, realising their only salvation lay in reaching Dunkirk, had started on the road to that port, destroying what equipment and munitions they could, as they went. And with them were the French, following on the Ypres-Dunkirk road and another parallel road from Ypres to La Panne. Where could the Belgians go?

At the outset of the battle in Flanders, they had been assigned by the High Command the port of Dunkirk as a sea base, but now in the hasty plan of embarkation of the British and French at Dunkirk, there was no room on the crowded beach for half a million Belgians.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

89 CHOLERA FATALITIES

HEALTH BULLETIN FOR WEEK

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the week ended at midnight on March 15:—Cholera, 151 cases (89 deaths); Diphtheria, 11 cases (four deaths); Enteric Fever, 18 cases (three deaths); Measles, 20 cases (seven deaths and three imported cases); Chicken-Pox, two cases; Cerebro-Spinal Fever, seven cases (one death); Dysentery, 47 cases (10 deaths and one imported case); Tuberculosis, 190 cases (130 deaths and one imported case).

HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the week ended at midnight on March 17:—Cholera, 41 cases (three deaths); Measles, one case; Small-Pox, one case; Tuberculosis, 41 cases.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

HEARING FIXED

Li Kwong, 34, coolie, and Fung Chiu, 28, messenger, were charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday on counts of demanding the sum of \$500 with menaces from Lau Chuen, assistant manager, and Chen Fong between March 14 and 17, and conspiring to steal the money.

The hearing was fixed for next Tuesday at 10 a.m. Both defendants, who were allowed \$500 bail each, will be represented by Mr. F. X. D'Almada. Det. Sub-Insps. J. O'Donovan is prosecuting.

UNLICENSED HAWKER

So Kan, 33, unlicensed hawker, was fined \$5 or seven days' hard labour by Mr. Lowry yesterday for selling ice cream in Connaught Road West on March 17, which is contrary to the cholera regulations.

Det. Sgt. H.B. Dewar prosecuted. "TSE FA" GAMBLERS The following were charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday with keeping common gaming houses for the purpose of "tse fa" at various addresses in Wanchai on March 17:

Fong Young-sam, 25, unemployed, No. 35, Hennessy Road, first floor, was fined \$75.

Leung Sam, 19, unemployed, No. 49, Tai Yuen Street, first floor, failing to appear, had his bail of \$100 estreated.

A 15-year-old juvenile, No. 83, Hennessy Road, first floor, failing to appear, had his bail of \$100 estreated.

Table money aggregating \$5.15 picked up was ordered to be donated to the Poor Box.

Det. Sgt. V. M. Morrison prosecuted in each case.

THEFT OF ARMY AMMUNITION

Three Chinese were charged before Mr. Lowry yesterday with stealing a large quantity of machine-gun ammunition from the Military Barracks at Tsuen Wan.

It was alleged that defendants, Cheung Sai-lo, 41, Lau Hing, 41, both unemployed odd job coolies, and Kwok Cheong, 64, unemployed boatman, stole 12 cases containing 14,976 rounds of the ammunition on two different occasions.

All defendants were remanded until Friday for further enquiries, on the application of Det. Sgt. MacPherson.

EUROPEAN IN COURT

Mr. J. Thompson, Wireless Superintendent of Williamson and Company, was charged before Mr. Lowry yesterday with assaulting Mak Hon, night watchman of Newspaper Enterprise Limited, at Windsor House on March 17.

Det. Sgt. W. Summers, who is in charge of the case, said that complainant was still in hospital, although his condition was not very serious, and that he would probably be out by today.

Defendant was remanded until Thursday.

WIDOW FINED

For stealing a pair of gold earrings, set with diamonds and almond-shaped jades, valued at \$700, Chan Foon, 38, widow, was fined \$75 or two months' hard labour by Major A. N. Macfadyen yesterday.

Defendant was represented by Mr. H. A. de B. Botelho, who pleaded guilty.

In mitigation, Mr. Botelho pleaded clemency saying that defendant was banished in 1923 for ten years and returned to the Colony in 1933. Since thence, she had kept a good record, and she was only induced by someone to do it.

Det. Sgt. F. Nolan prosecuted.

AT KOWLOON

BUS DRIVERS CAUTIONED

Following the advice to the public that they should stand on the pavement while waiting for buses, 17 bus drivers of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company were summoned before Mr. H. C. Macnamara yesterday for failing to stop as near as possible to the left of the road when taking or setting down passengers.

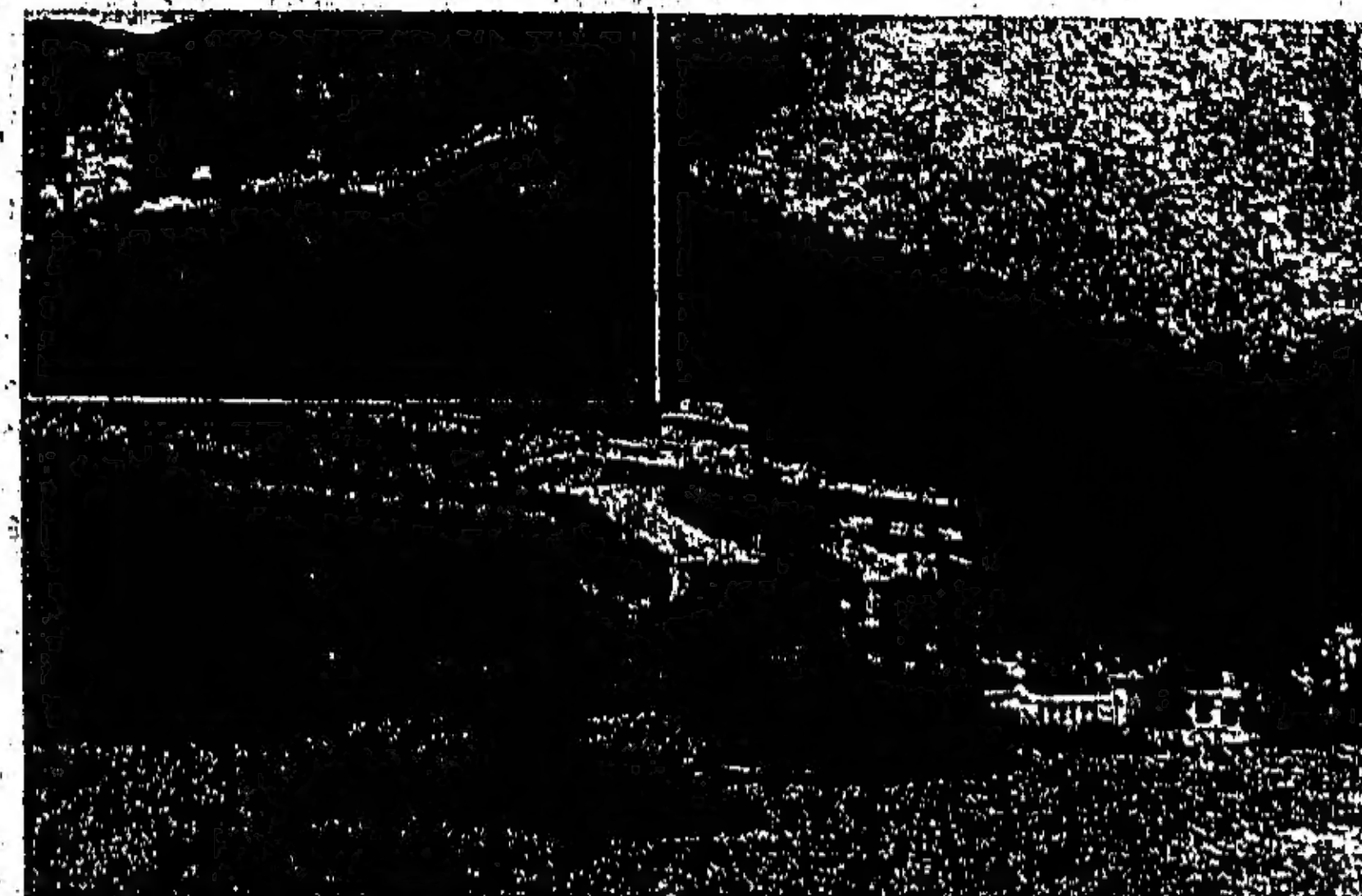
Traffic Inspector Brittain said that bus drivers had been warned to stop as near as possible to the left of the road through the Company. Defendants still stopped their buses 12 or 14 feet from the pavement. Since the summonses there has been a definite improvement and a small fine would meet the case, said Inspector Brittain. All defendants were dismissed with a caution.

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EUROPEAN FINED E. B. Teedale, of Starlight Villa, 111, 2381, Victoria Road, Pokfulam, was summoned before Mr. Macnamara yesterday for leaving his car unattended in Salisbury Road near the Star Ferry.

Accused was said to have left his car there from 1.50 p.m. to 5.25 p.m. on Feb. 12 unattended.

Pleading guilty to the summons, defendant was fined \$5.

CONVICTION REGISTERED

Yau Hing, 28, and Shu Lam-chai, 22, were separately charged before Mr. Macnamara yesterday with selling "entertainment" tickets at a place other than the ticket office. It was stated that Mr. J.F. Musford, of Island Revenue Department, bought tickets from defendants in front of the Peiho Theatre, Shumshuipo.

Defendants were fined \$50 or a month's hard labour each.

HOTEL THEFT

Three months' hard labour, followed by expulsion, was imposed by Mr. D.I.N. Anderson on Ng Chuen, 24, for stealing an electric pump from the Repulse Bay Hotel, Carnarvon Road, property of Mrs. March.

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ARMED U.S. NAVAL AID
FOR BRITAIN FORESEEN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 18 (Reuter)—Steps to implement America's pledge to Britain mentioned yesterday are firstly, the early release to Britain of a further considerable number of over-age destroyers; and secondly, the giving, shortly, of armed naval aid.

U.K. HOLDINGS
IN AMERICATreasury Statement
On Recent Sale

LONDON, Mar. 18 (Reuter)—A British Treasury statement on the sale of British holdings in the American Viscose Corporation says that 90 per cent. of a public issue to be made in the United States will go to the Treasury.

The shares now sold totalled 448,000 shares which were held by Courtland Limited, (the great British rayon concern). The price to be paid to Courtlands will be settled between the Company and the Treasury or by arbitration.

This is the first fruit of the Peacock mission, which was to examine the possibility of making the best of British investments in the United States.

The statement adds: "The sale of this valuable holding to American interests is evidence of the determination of the British Government to use every possible means of self-help at a time when they are receiving from the Government of the United States the measures of assistance set out in President Roosevelt's great speech on Saturday."

OVERSEAS GIFTS
FOR PURCHASE
OF PLANES

LONDON, Mar. 18 (British Wireless).—After subscribing £100,000 for the purchase of fighting aircraft, the people of Trinidad have sent a further amount of £10,000 as the first instalment for the purchase of bombers.

The Olivos and Hurlingham district of Buenos Aires has sent \$5,000 for the purchase of aircraft.

The Governor of the French Cameroons has put at the disposal of the British Consul General at Duala, two boxes of gold amounting in value to £5,000 for the purchase of a Spitfire. Already one such gift has been made by public subscription and another purchase is well on the way.

SHAI REMITTANCE

SHANGHAI, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—Thanks largely to a last-minute effort the required sum of £10,000 for the month ending on March 15 was again raised by the British War Fund and remitted to the Treasury, London.

This remittance brings the total remitted to date to £122,000.

FREE FRENCH
ENROL

Several people have enrolled with the Free French Movement which has established a branch in Melbourne.

Because of danger to many of the members who still have relatives in occupied France, no names will be released yet. The movement's office at 528 Collins-st. was open officially for the first time yesterday.

Besides French men and women, a few Australians enrolled. There are very few Frenchmen in Victoria of military age and few volunteers for the Free French fighting force are expected.

A general meeting will be called next month.

SUPPORT SOUGHT

"As a result of my personal visits I have decided that a great majority of French people here are wholeheartedly in favour of de Gaulle," said M. Andre Brenac.

M. Brenac was appointed nominal head of the movement in Australia from London.

The controller in Melbourne (Mr. P. J. Mann) said the aim of the movement here was not so much to get military enrolments as to obtain the moral and financial support of Frenchmen.

"We want to prove to Australians that we are actively backed by the great majority of French people both here and throughout the world," he said.

Legislative circles spoke privately but very definitely regarding destroyers while the naval aid report was given by Mr. William Simms, chief writer on foreign affairs in the Scripps-Howard newspapers.

Mr. Simms asserts that armed aid, particularly naval aid, is foreseen as a virtual certainty following the President's speech on Saturday. He adds that it is believed in Washington that Britain's hands are too full effectively to fight off the new submarine menace and a new kind of help from America may become vital in view of President Roosevelt's statements that America would not cease aid "until the tyrants are totally defeated."

Fully qualified observers, Mr. Simms adds, feel that giving over-age destroyers and mosquito boats is only a temporary measure to be followed by intervention by the United States Navy and the transfer of merchant shipping.

RANDOLPH HEARST

NEW YORK, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—"We are in the conflict now, irretrievably involved in it," is the comment of Mr. William Randolph Hearst, the American newspaper magnate, on President Roosevelt's speech in yesterday's New York Journal-American.

Mr. Hearst described the speech as "good," adding: "The United States has been brought into war by a masterly series of good speeches. We must unite in standing by the Government we have elected and the policy we have determined upon. There is only one way out of our situation now and that is by victory."

POTATO
OUTLOOK

It is anticipated that the United States demand for Canadian seed potatoes will be considerable during the spring of 1941, although total shipments in 1940-41 will not likely reach the total of one and a quarter million bushels shipped during 1939-40, says the Current Review of Agricultural Conditions.

Exports to South American countries and Cuba were satisfactory during the fall of 1940, and a comparatively new market developed when shipments of over 13,500 bushels were made to South Africa.

Prices for the 1940 crop have been low compared with 1939, although there has been some evidence of a seasonal rise in prices as the season advances. Shipments from the Maritime Provinces to Ontario have been particularly heavy.

The low prices have resulted largely from the pressure of the increased supply on the domestic markets, but at January 2, 1941, stocks of table stock were not excessive. Stocks of seed on the other hand were considerably higher than usual at that time.

Exports of seed to the United States during the fall season of 1940 were relatively low, as a result of the large crop harvested in that country.

DAIRY ACT
VIOLATION

F. Toman, manager of the Mulverton Creamery Company, Milverton, Ont., was recently fined \$10 and \$12 costs at Stratford, Ont., for having manufactured and sold butter containing more than 16 per cent water and less than 80 per cent milk fat.

Manufacturing butter of such composition is a violation both of the Dairy Industry Act, administered by the Dominion Department of Agriculture, and of the Regulations under the Ontario Farm Products Grades and Sales Act.

These Acts state in effect that no person shall manufacture, import into Canada, sell, offer or have in possession for sale any butter containing more than 16 per cent of water or less than 80 per cent butter fat.

Butter which does not conform to these standards is considered to be adulterated.

HYDERABAD, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—The Nizam's Government has offered to raise a full R.I.A.S.C. company.

Finance and Commerce

SKILLED LABOUR
SHORTAGE IN
AMERICAUrgent Appeal Made
By Mr. Knudsen

WASHINGTON, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—Vital defence industries are reported officially yesterday to be facing a rapidly dwindling supply of skilled labour just when the Government was preparing to give effect to the British aid programme by increasing armament orders by over 60 per cent.

This was made clear at a conference of the metal trades management and labour representatives with United States production chiefs, Mr. Knudsen and Mr. Hillman, Miss Perkins, Secretary of Labour, and other officials.

In opening the conference, Mr. Knudsen said: "We got to go into production in America on a scale never approached before. Our need for ships and propulsion machinery for ships, tanks, and planes are so great that upon you rests the responsibility for training more people in the shortest possible time in order to meet the deliveries sorely needed here and abroad."

He urged shipbuilders specifically to "give every skilled man three helpers to learn his work."

Reserves For Export
And Emergency

CANBERRA.—To hold large quantities of perishable food-stuffs for export, shipping space and emergency food reserves, the Australian Agricultural Council agreed that the Federal and State Governments should co-operate in providing additional cold storage accommodation.

The recommendation will be submitted to all Governments at once and it is hoped that the extra storage will be available within the next few months. It will be used principally for meat and butter.

The Agricultural Council has agreed that the Governments should share the cost, but it thinks Government contributions should be limited to storages likely to be superfluous after the war.

Industry will be asked to meet the cost of new storages that are likely to be permanent.

The chairman of the Agricultural Council (Sir Earle Page) said after the meeting that Britain would waive meat import restrictions as soon as shipping was again available. The Federal Government had decided to maintain output to meet the new British demand as soon as it came. Meat would be stored against realisation.

It is understood that negotiations are nearing completion for a substantial contribution by Britain towards the cost of meat held so

that producers can be paid as soon as their meat enters store.

Reports to the council indicated that if coastal shipping were dislocated the railways could not maintain supplies of meat and butter needed for big centres of Australian population.

The council decided that adequate supplies must be stored to meet such a contingency.

HONG KONG STOCK
EXCHANGE

The tone of the market is better though so far prices have not shown any appreciable advance.

BUYERS

Union Ins., \$425.
Wharves, \$93.25.
Docks (O), \$16.25.
Hotels, \$3.10.
Providents, \$5.15.
Lands, \$31.75.
Humphreys, \$6.70.
Realities, \$3.05.
Lights (O), \$8.20.
Electrics (O), \$41.
Electrics (N), \$40.50.
Macao Electric (O), \$17.50.
Macao Electric (N), \$16.50.
Telephones (O), \$24.
Cements, \$17.10.
Watsons, \$10.80.

SELLERS

Realities, \$3.25.
Trams, \$16.75.
Telephones (O), \$24.50.

SALES

H.K. Banks, \$1340.
Docks (O), \$16.50.
Docks (N), \$15.90.
Providents, \$5.15/20.
Telephones (O), \$24/24.25.
Ropes, \$6.15.
Watsons, \$11.

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Buyer	Seller	Rate	Normal	Buyer	Seller	Rate	Normal
Banks							
...	H.K. Banks
...	Do. (Col. Reg.)
...	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...	...	...
...	Chartered Bank	...	...	...
...	Mercantile Bk. (A)	...	...	...
...	Mercantile Bk. (C)	...	...	...
...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...
...	N. C. & S. Bank	...	...	...
Insurance							
...	Canton Insurance	...	...	...
...	Union Insurance	...	...	...
...	Underwriters	...	...	...
...	H.K. Fire	...	...	...
Shipping							
...	Douglases	...	...	...
...	Steamships	...	...	...
...	Indo-China (Prof.)	...	...	...
...	Indo-China (Def.)	...	...	...
...	Shells	...	...	...
...	Waterboats	...	...	...
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.							
...	H.K. & S. Wharves	...	...	...
...	Provident	...	...	...
...	H.K. Docks (Old)	...	...	...
...	H.K. Docks (New)	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Docks	...	...	...
Mining							
...	Kailash	...	...	...
...	Baobu	...	...	...
...	Hong Kong Mines	...	...	...
Lands, Hotels and Buildings							
...	H.K. & S. Hotels	...	...	...
...	H.K. Lands	...	...	...
...	Do. 44 Debutures	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...
...	H.K. Realities	...	...	...
...	Humphreys	...	...	...
...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...
...	Cotton Mills	...	...	...
...	Ewo (S.)	...	...	...
...	Shai Cottons (S.)	...	...	...
...	Zoong Sings (S.)	...	...	...
...	Wing On Textiles (S)	...	...	...
...	Public Utilities	...	...	...
...	H.K. Tramways	...	...	...
...	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	...
...	Peak Trams (new)	...	...	...
...	Star Ferry	...	...	...
...	Ymatu Ferry	...	...	...
...	China Lights (O)	...	...	...
...	China Lights (New)	...	...	...
...	H. K. Electric (Old)	...	...	...
...	H. K. Electric (New)	...	...	...
...	Macao Electric (Old)	...	...	...
...	Macao Electric (New)	...	...	...
...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...
...	Telephones (old)	...	...	...
...	Telephones (new)	...	...	...
...	S'pore Tractors (Ord.)	...	...	...
Industrial							
...	Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	...	...	...
...	Cald. Macg. (Prof.)	...	...	...
...	Canton Ice	...	...	...
...	Cement	...	...	...
...	H.K. Rope	...	...	...
...	H.K. Govt. Loans	...	...	...
...	4% Loan	...	...	...
...	3 1/2% " (1934)	...	...	...
...	3 1/2% " (1940)	...	...	...
Miscellaneous							
...	Dairy Farms	...	...	...
...	Entertainments	...	...	...
...	Constructions (old)	...	...	...
...	Constructions (new)	...	...	...
...	Lane Crawford	...	...	...
...	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	...
...	Sincere	...	...	...
...	Watsons	...	...	...
...	Ch. G.S. 1925/8/8/8	...	...	...
...	H.K. Wing On	...	...	...
...	Shai Wing On	...	...	...
...	Yibo Piling	...	...	...
...	6/8 Marsman Inv. (Lon)	...	...	...
...	6/8 Marsman Inv. (H.K.)	...	...	...
...	Wm. Powell	...	...	...
...	China Lights (Rights)	...	...	...
...	+Sale to Shanghai	...	...	...



NO IF OR MAY BE
IT'S THE SCOTCH.

HONGKONG
SHAREBROKERS
ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted
on Tuesday, Mar. 18, 1941.

SALES		
H.K. Banks	10	\$1,340.00
Bank of East Asia	70	70.00
H.K. Tramways	300	16.25
A.S. Watsons	1,000	10.75
	500	10.90

The total value is \$40,710.00.

LONDON STOCK
EXCHANGE

LONDON, March 18 (Reuter).—Business in the Stock Exchange yesterday was cheerful and favourable influenced by President Roosevelt's speech and the firmer Yugoslav attitude.

Industrials are meeting with fair and general inquiry with Courtlands a special feature, advancing two shillings to 29 on the American Viscose sale. Gilt-edged turned dull but Indian stocks were firm as also Home Ralls and Raffles. Wall Street was firm.

BRITISH CREDITS
TO CHINA

LONDON, Mar. 18 (Central).—The negotiations between the Chinese and British authorities regarding the use of British credits to China are proceeding smoothly. An agreement is expected to be reached in the near future.

FEDERAL RESERVE
RETURNS

New York, Mar. 17 (Reuter).
Mar. 4 Mar. 11
(000's Omitted)
Total Loans \$ 9,492,000 \$ 9,689,000
Investments 17,076,000 17,055,000

R.A.M.C. Posts Open
To Women

NEW DELHI, Mar. 18 (Reuter).—A number of posts in the British military medical services in India will be opened to British women medical practitioners. It is announced.

The selected candidates will be attached to the R.A.M.C. as medical officers with military status but without commissions. It is proposed in the first instance to employ the selected candidates in British military families and hospitals.

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On demand	44 1/2
On Singapore:—	
On demand	52 3/4
On Japan:—	
On demand	102 1/2
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/8 1/2	
and demand	82 1/2
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8	
Credit, 60 days sight 24 7/8	
On Batavia:—	
On demand	45 1/4
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credit 4 months sight Nom.	
On Saigon:—	
On demand	104 1/2
On Manila:—	
On demand	48 1/4
On Bangkok:—	
On demand	146 1/2
On Sterling Notes:—	
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Bar Silver per oz.	93 1/2

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Tuesday, Mar. 18.
Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/2 for Ready and 23 7/8 for Forward. Silver advances reported the market as being steady with nothing doing. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.
The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 1/2.

MARKET

STERLING.

No business was reported. There were sellers at 1/3 up to May, buyers at 24 9/16 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Nothing doing. There were sellers at 24 1/2 for near up to May, buyers at 24 9/16 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Business was done early in the morning at 45 1/2 but later the market receded, closing towards lunch time with sellers at 45 1/2, buyers at 46 1/2.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Opened with sellers of Sterling at 3 19/64 and closed with sellers at 3 5/16 for Spot. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 3/8 and closed with sellers at 5 13/32 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

Dull.

STERLING

No business was reported. The market closed with sellers at 1/3 up to May, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Quiet. Closed with sellers at 24 1/2 for near and also for May, buyers at 24 9/16 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Closed with sellers at 45 1/2, buyers at 45 1/2.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Opened this afternoon with sellers of Sterling at 3 5/16 and closed steadier at 3 21/64 for Spot. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 13/32 and closed slightly steadier at 5 7/16 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Mar. 18 (Reuter).

Sterling		
	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/3-19/64	0/3-5/16
Mar.	0/3-19/64	0/3-5/16
Apr.	0/3-9/32	0/3-5/16
U. S. Dollars		
	Opening	Closing
Spot	\$5-3/8	\$5-7/16
Mar.	\$5-3/8	\$5-7/16
Apr.	\$5-3/8	\$5-13/32
Market:—	Quiet.	
Silver Duty Rate		
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.		
The Equalisation rate was 24 1/2 per cent.		

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Mar. 17 (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4		
	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/3-19/64	0/3-5/16
Mar.	0/3-19/64	0/3-5/16
Apr.	0/3-9/32	0/3-5/16
U. S. Dollars		
	Opening	Closing
Spot	\$5-3/8	\$5-7/16
Mar.	\$5-3/8	\$5-7/16
Apr.	\$5-3/8	\$5-13/32
Market:—	Quiet.	
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NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Mar. 17, 1941.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	10.76	10.61	10.81	10.62	19 off
New York Rubber, May	—	—	22.48	22.40	08 off
Chicago Wheat, May	87	86 1/2	87	86 1/2	1 off
Chicago Corn, May	63 1/2	62 1/2	63	63	unch.
New York Hides, June	13.81	13.61	13.97	13.70	27 off

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
NEW YORK COTTON					
May	10.81/83	10.71/70	10.62/63	10.62	18 off
July	10.82/83	10.68/65	10.58/58	10.58	24 off
October	10.77/77	10.64/61	10.50/50	10.50	27 off
December	10.75/75	10.59/55	10.48/48	10.48	27 off
January	10.74/74	10.59/58	10.47 N	10.47	27 off
March	10.73 N	—	10.44 N	10.44	29 off
Spot	11.14	—	10.95	10.95	19 off

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
NEW YORK RUBBER					
May	22.48/48	22.45b/55a	22.40b	22.40	08 off
July (New contract)	21.95/95	22.00/00	21.85b	21.85	10 off
September	21.45 N	21.40b	21.43/43	21.43	02 off
December	21.20 N	21.30/35	21.20 N	21.20	unch.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
CHICAGO WHEAT					
May	87/87 1/2	87/86 1/2	86 1/2/86 1/2	86 1/2	1 off
July	83 1/2/84	83 1/2/83 1/2	83 1/2/83 1/2	83 1/2	1 off
September	84 1/2/84 1/2	84 1/2/84 1/2	84 1/2/84 1/2	84 1/2	1 off

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
CHICAGO CORN					
May	63/63	63/62 1/2	63/63 1/2	63 1/2	unch.
July	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2	unch.
September	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2	1 off

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
NEW YORK RIBS					
June	13.97/99	13.70/81	13.70/70	13.70	27 off
September	14.00/00	13.81/85	13.73/73	13.73	27 off

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
NEW YORK COCOA					
May	7.18 N	7.25/30	7.06 N	7.06	12 off
NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3					
May	2.35b/36a	—	2.38b/39a	2.38	03 up
July	2.38b/39a	—	2.41b/42a	2.41	03 up

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4					
May	79 1/2b/80a	80 1/2b/81a	81b/81 1/2a	81 1/2	01 up
July	84b/84 1/2a	86 1/2b/87a	85 1/2b/86a	85 1/2	01 up

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES					
July	11.65b/69a	11.60b/80a	11.62b/87a	11.62	03 off
N.Y. Official Silver	—	—	—	—	—
N.Y.-London Cross Rate 4.03-1/2	—	—	—	—	—

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Mar. 17.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red, after 1952)	104-1/16	104-1/16	104-1/16	104-1/16	—
Defence Loan, 3%	101-9/16	101-9/16	101-9/16	101-9/16	—
London-Kioto Ry., 5%	11	11	11	11	—
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	42	42	42	42	—
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925/47	40-44	40-44	40-44	40-44	—
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	45	45	45	45	—
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	24	24	24	24	—
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	31	31	31	31	—
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	8-10	8-10	8-10	8-10	—
Chin. Imperial Ry., 5% Loan	47	47	47	47	—
Honan Ry., 5%	14	14	14	14	—
Hukuang Ry., 5%, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue)	14	14	14	14	—
Hukuang Ry., 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	12	12	12	12	—
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Ry., 5% 1913	12	12	12	12	—
S'hai-N'King Ry., 5%	14	14	14	14	—
Tientsin-Pukow Ry., 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	12	12	12	12	—
Tientsin-Pukow Ry., 5% (German Stpd.)	12	12	12	12	—
Tientsin-Pukow Ry., 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	12	12	12	12	—
Tientsin-Pukow Ry., 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	12	12	12	12	—
Jap. 8% Ster. Loan, 1924	25	25	25	25	—
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	54	54	54	54	—
Chartered Bank	82	82	82	82	—
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	75	75	75	75	—
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	77	77	77	77	—
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	17-1/2	17-1/2	17-1/2	17-1/2	—
Chosen Corporation	41-	41-	41-	41-	—
Mercantile Bank of India, 25, "C"	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	—
Pekin Syndicate	1/8	1/8	1/8	1/8	—
S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.	12/6	12/6	12/6	12/6	—
S'hai Waterworks "A"	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	—
Union Insurance	24	24	24	24	—
Gula Kalumpung Rubber Ldn., Mid. & Scot. Ry.	15/9	15/9	15/9	15/9	—
Great Western Ry.	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	—
National Bank of India, 2 1/2%	86 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2	—
B.-A. Tob. (bearer)	81/9	81/9	81/9	81/9	—
Dunlop Rubber	10/11	10/11	10/11	10/11	—
British Aeroplane	29/11	29/11	29/11	29/11	—
Imperial Chemical Ind.	29/11	29/11	29/11	29/11	—

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Mar. 17 (Reuter).

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
United Steel	20/6	20/6	20/6	20/6	—
Woolworths	48/-	48/-	48/-	48/-	—
Warrman Investments	6/6	6/6	6/6	6/6	—
Western Holdings	10/-	10/-	10/-	10/-	—
Sub-Nigel	142/6	142/6	142/6	142/6	—
Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer)	41/10 1/2	41/10 1/2	41/10 1/2	41/10 1/2	—
—bid	—	—	—	—	—
—ex. dv	—	—	—	—	—
BOMBAY SILVER					
Bombay, Mar. 17 (Reuter).					
Market—Steady. Offtake 250 bars.					
Indian Mint Silver					
Ready	62-14	62-14	62-14	62-14	—
Mar. 24 Settlement	62-14	62-14	62-14	62-14	—
April 22 Settlement	62-00	62-00	62-00	62-00	—

SILVER MARKET

London, Mar. 17 (Reuter).

Silver—Little selling. Buyers satisfied. Market steady. In the afternoon, the market was steady, with buyers satisfied and no business.

Spot, 23-1/2d.

Forward, 23-7/16d.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Mar. 17 (Reuter).

Market—Steady. Offtake 250 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready

Mar. 24 Settlement

April 22 Settlement

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MARCH 18, 1941.

STOCKS	Last Sale Mar. 17	STOCKS	Last Sale Mar. 17
Adams Express	54	Loew's Inc.	32 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	22 1/2	Lort Incorporated	18 1/2
Allis Chalmers	28 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	28 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	73 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	29
Amer. Can.	—	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	25 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	—	Montgomery Ward	37 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	15/18	M'tain City Copper Co.	34
Amer. & Foreign \$7 pf.	—	National Aviation	9 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	—	Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	18 1/2	National Distillers	21 1/2
Amer. Radiator	62	National Lead	16 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	14	Nat. Power & Light	6 1/2
Amer. Sling and Ring Co.	40 1/2	National Supply Corp.	5 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	18	New York Central	12 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	16 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	24
Amer. Tobacco "B"	68 1/2	N. American Aviation	14 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	54	North American Co.	15 1/2
Anaconda Copper	24 1/2	Northern Pacific	6 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	24	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	44 1/2
Aviation Corp.	31	Pacific Gas & Elec.	27 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	15 1/2	Packard Motors	21
Baltimore & Ohio	34	Pan-American Airways	13
Barber Asphalt Co.	8 1/2	Paramount Pictures	11 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	8 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	23 1/2
Bendix Aviation	35 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	38 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	80	Public Service of N.J.	25 1/2
Bills & Co.	16 1/2	Pullman Inc.	24
Boeing Airplane Co.	18 1/2	Pure Oil	7 1/2
Borg-Warner	18 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	4 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	22 1/2	Reading Company, Inc.	14 1/2
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	4 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	5 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	50 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	4 1/2
Case, J.I.	50 1/2	Republic Steel	19 1/2
Celanese	23 1/2	Revere Corp.	10
Chesapeake & Ohio	39 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B"	31
Chrysler Corp.	67 1/2	Safeway Stores	39 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	4 1/2	Schenley Distillers	9 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	30	Sears, Roebuck	73
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	11/16	Shell Union Oil	12 1/2
Consolidated Edison	21 1/2	Socoxy-Vacuum Oil	6 1/2
Consolidated Oil	—	Southern Pacific	9 1/2
Continental Can.	37 1/2	Southern Ry \$5 pfd.	22
Continental Oil	19 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co	33 1/2
Copperweld Steel	142 1/2	Standard Brands	6 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	9 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	1
Curtiss Wright "A"	25 1/2	Standard Oil of California	19 1/2
Deere & Co.	20 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	35 1/2
Distillers Corp., Seagrams	16 1/2	Stone & Webster	7
Douglas Aircraft	74 1/2	Studebaker, Com.	6 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	146	Swift International	18
Eagle-Picher Lead	9 1/2	Technicolor	82 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	33 1/2	Texas Corp.	35 1/2
Elec. Autolite	30 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	35 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	34	Timken-Axle	31 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	55 1/2	Trans-America Co.	4 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$6 pf.	64	20th Cent. Fox	6 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	34 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	11 1/2
Flintkote	13 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	67 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	51 1/2	Union Pacific	78
Gen. Electric	33 1/2	United Aircraft	39 1/2
Gen. Motors	43 1/2	United Airlines Trans	14 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	13 1/2	United Corp.	25 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	11 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	3
Glidden Co.	13 1/2	United Gas Corp.	8 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	13 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	25 1/2
Goodrich \$5 pf.	62 1/2	U.S. Rubber	22 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	18 1/2	U.S. Rubber \$8 pfd.	91 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	14 1/2	U.S. Smelting	58 1/2
Great Northern Ry, pfd.	25 1/2	U.S. Steel	57 1/2
Great Western Sugar	25 1/2	Vanadium	28
Greyhound Corp.	11 1/2	Vulcan Aircraft	6 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	70 1/2	Walworth Co.	5 1/2
Homestake Mining	462 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	3
Int Nickel	26 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	96
Inter. Paper & Power	13 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	28
Int. Tel. & Tel.	2 1/2	Chase National Bank	31 1/2
Johnsman	60 1/2	National City Bank	27 1/2
Kennecott Copper	33 1/2	Libby, McNeill & Libby	5 1/2
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	34 1/2		
Lockheed Aircraft	24 1/2		

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Police Courts

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Det.-Sgt. A. Bethell said that about 3.15 p.m. on March 3, defendant went to the Hotel through the back door and removed one of the pumps.

Defendant, when stopped, said that he was instructed by Messrs. Dedwell and Company to take the pump to have it repaired.

Inquiries showed that accused had never received such instructions.

SNATCHER GAOLED

Convicted for larceny of a wrist watch Li Hoi, 32, was sentenced to three months' hard labour and eight strokes of the cane by Mr. Anderson yesterday.

It was stated that while complainant Lung Chi-chu, was waiting outside No. 498, Reclamation Street, first floor, about 7.50 p.m. on Monday defendant came from behind and snatched the watch from her. Defendant was arrested by a passer-by.

LARCENY BY TRICK

For selling water for kerosene, Chan Yeung, 22, was charged before Mr. Anderson yesterday with attempting to steal \$9.10 from a 51-year-old widow Li Sam by means of trick.

Accused was bound over in the sum of \$50 for a year.

Det.-Sgt. C. Dowman, prosecuted.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Committal proceedings against Fung Shu, 28, carpenter, Lau Kwai-pu, 20, coolie, and Yu Hong, 35, charged with robbery by two or more, were concluded before Mr. Anderson yesterday when defendants were committed to the next Criminal Sessions.

It was alleged that defendants had robbed Leung Ngan-ho, amah of \$1,000 Chinese currency, property of her master, Chan Chi-man, at No. 307, Prince Edward Road on Jan. 19.

Chief Detective Inspector A. E. Carey, assisted by Det.-Sgt. W. G. Morrison, was in charge of the case.

SOLDIER ON SERIOUS CHARGE

A Corporal of the R. A. O. C. and four others, including a woman, charged with conspiracy to steal 215 blankets from the R. A. O. C. depot, appeared before Mr. Anderson yesterday for another remand of a week.

Two more men, Li Po, 30, and Tsim Tak, 34, were arrested and were similarly charged yesterday.

The soldier was additionally charged with larceny of three blankets, two sheets, a mosquito curtain and an electric bulb and alternatively charged with fourth defendant with receiving stolen property.

Chan Ju, 44, gardener, was charged with aiding and abetting. Mr. M. A. da Silva, appearing for first defendant, submitted that bail should be allowed. He said that he understood that the case was quite a long one and it would be a gross injustice to the defendant should he be found not guilty at the conclusion.

Det.-Sgt. C. Dowman, who was in charge of the case, objected to bail on the ground that it was a serious offence and the property in question amounted to \$1,900.

D. O. SOUTH

CHARGE DISMISSED

Pun Kwok-wah, alias Pun Wah, charged before Mr. S. F. Balfour yesterday with having, with others not in custody, robbed Wong Man-chung of H.K. \$400, one gold chain, four gold coins, one gold finger ring, and various articles, at Ngong Peng, Lantau Island, on July 28, 1940, was discharged after evidence had been heard.

Det.-Sgt. A. F. Estall prosecuted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

A.R.P. VOTE FOR MEDICAL STORES TO BE CONSIDERED

The Finance Committee of the Legislative Council will meet at the Council Chambers tomorrow afternoon when votes totalling \$519,888 will come up for consideration. The biggest single item comes under the Defence head (C-Air Raid Precautions) for which the sum of \$90,000, in respect of medical stores, is requested.

OTHER ITEMS

The other items are as follows:-
His Excellency the Governor: Fuel, light and power, \$1,400;

Botanical and Forestry Dept.: Extraction of timber, \$35,000;

Charitable Services: Mercantile Marine Assistance Fund, \$1,500;

Defence (A-H.K.V.D.C.): Maintenance of vehicles, \$5,000; Uniforms, \$19,160; (Special expenditure), Mobilisation stores, \$38,900;

Defence (B-H.K.N.V.C.): Uniforms, \$1,803;

Defence (C-Air Raid Precautions): Transport, \$1,000;

District Office, South: Personal emoluments, \$2,300;

Fire Brigade: Auxiliary Fire Service, \$10,000; Oil and fuel for vehicles, \$3,000;

NEW POLICE LAUNCH

Harbour Dept. and Air Services: (Harbour Dept.) New Police launch, \$27,000; Two new Police motor boats, \$3,350; (Air Services);

Imports and Exports Office: Personal emoluments, \$9,000; (Special Expenditure), emergency expenses arising from the Sino-Japanese conflict, \$9,300;

Judiciary (A-Supreme Court): Fees to Counsel and Solicitors for prisoners, \$1,500;

Kowloon Canton Railway: Coal for locomotives, \$9,200; (Special Expenditure), clearing landslide at Tunnel No. 5, \$22,000;

Medical Dept.: Provisions for patients, \$15,000; Relief of overcrowding of Chinese Hospitals, \$8,000; Washing, \$1,000;

Miscellaneous Services: Language study allowances, \$8,000; Rent allowances (European Subordinate officers) \$34,000; (Asiatic Subordinate officers) \$18,000; Telegrams, \$9,000;

Post Office, Wireless and Broadcast: (B-Wireless), repairs and stores, \$15,000; Laboratory checking equipment, \$10,714;

Prisons Dept.: Subsistence of prisoners, \$4,000;

MOUNTAIN LODGE

Public Works Recurrent and Water Works: (B-Water Works), maintenance of Water Works, \$20,000;

Public Works Extraordinary: Alterations and improvements to Police Stations, \$3,485; New Government quarry at Hok On, \$32,000;

Alterations and improvements to Mountain Lodge, \$13,982; Extension of the H.K.V.D.C. garage at Kowloon Canton Railway, \$2,800.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 19 to 26 Mar. 1941.

Days of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Wed.	19	h.m.	f.m.	h.m.	f.m.
		02 17	4.8	06 42	3.1
Thur.	20	12 22	4.4	20 36	1.9
		02 32	4.4	07 17	3.6
Fri.	21	14 37	4.2	22 18	2.2
		05 16	4.1	08 07	3.0
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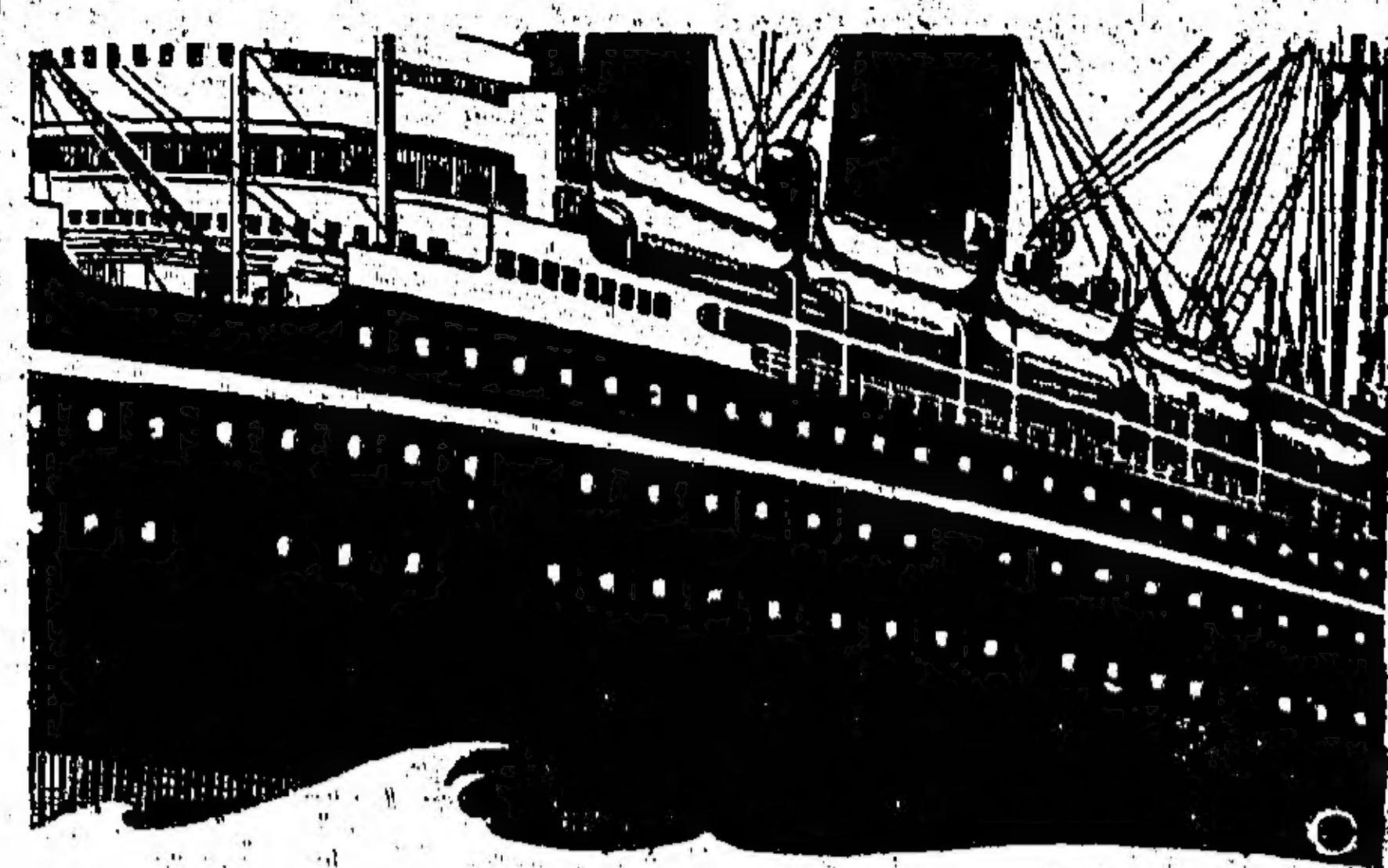
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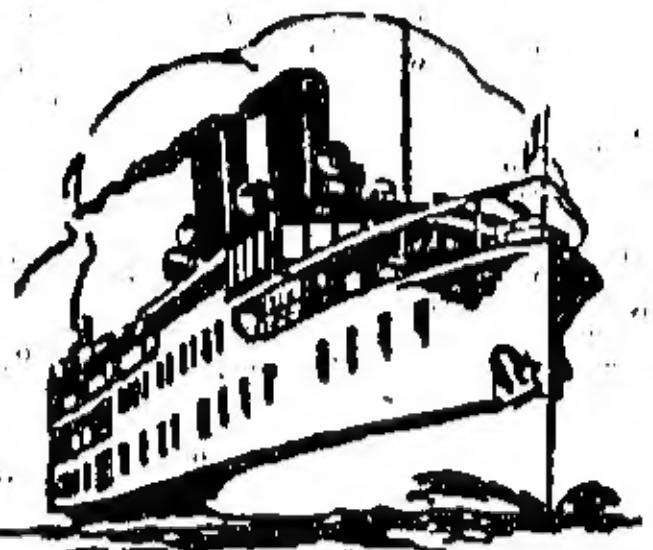
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CRIMINAL SESSIONS PLEAS

ARMED ROBBERS SENTENCED

Pleadings were taken by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, yesterday afternoon when the March Criminal Sessions were opened. Pleas of guilty were entered in several cases.

ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE
Tsang Chung-ling was sentenced, to six months' hard labour and 10 strokes of the cane, and recommended for banishment on a charge of robbery with violence on Feb. 21.

30 MONTHS FOR ROBBERY
Remarking that he would give the third defendant, an 18-year youth, a chance, his Lordship bound him over to be of good behaviour for one year. Two others, Wong Fai and Ip Ki, whom the Police said led that defendant astray, were sentenced to two years and six months' hard labour each on charges of robbery, by two or more, at Shek Kiu Tai, Shataukok, on Feb. 2, and for kidnapping Li Yau.

POSSESSION OF ARMS
Ip Ki was sentenced to a further 12 months' hard labour for the unlawful possession of arms and ammunition, at Shataukok. His plea of Not Guilty to the first charge of robbery by two or more was accepted by the Crown.

For the unlawful possession of a Mauser and 22 rounds of ammunition, Yin Hing was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour, to date from the expiry of the term he is serving at present, when he pleaded guilty to the charge yesterday.

COUNTERFEIT COINS
Lau Tin-po, arraigned on two counts of possession of counterfeit 5-cent coins and one of possession of a mould which might have been used to make the coins, was sentenced to 15 months' hard labour.

Wan Hei and Chau Luen were each sentenced to three years' hard labour on various charges of possession of counterfeit 5-cent coins and of moulds for the making of the coins. Two others, Wong Cheung and Tam Eoi, and a woman, Ng To, charged with the two defendants were discharged on the Crown accepting their pleas of Not Guilty.

RETURN FROM BANISHMENT
For breach of deportation order, Chan Chak-man was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour.

After accused had pleaded guilty to the charge, his Lordship expressed the opinion that all these breach of deportation cases should be taken summarily instead of being for committal.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted in all the cases.

WIDOW SENT TO PRISON

Girls Involved In Larceny

The story of how a 15-year-old girl had stolen money and jewellery, to the total value of \$1,380, which was in turn stolen from her by a 63-year-old widow was related before Mr. H. C. Macnamara yesterday at the Kowloon Magistracy.

The girl was charged with another 18-year-old girl with stealing from No. 434, Shanghai Street, \$1,230 Hongkong currency, a pair of gold bangle, four pairs of rattan bangles, a pair of gold ear-rings, three gold rings, a child's rattan bangles and a gold button.

Another 15-year-old girl was charged with accessory after the fact.

First defendant was also the complainant in a case in which a 63-year-old widow, Wong Luk, was charged with demanding \$300 from her with menaces and with stealing the jewellery which were alleged to have been stolen by the girl.

The juveniles, pleading guilty, gave evidence.

First accused said that on Mar. 12 she stole the money and jewellery from No. 434, Shanghai Street. After larceny three of them went to No. 125, Tai Nam Street, where they rented a room. They paid \$2 to defendant who was the principal tenant.

The widow took the jewellery without the consent of the girls and said she would melt it.

Convicted on both charges, the widow was sentenced to three months' hard labour, while the girls were remanded until today.

EVERYTHING POSSIBLE BEING DONE TO COMBAT THE CHOLERA EPIDEMIC

"We are doing all we can to stop the epidemic," said DR. N. C. MACLEOD, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES, in the course of an interview yesterday on the outbreak of cholera. "The same measures which were so successfully adopted last year have been reintroduced."

"Not only the affected areas but all slum areas are being cleaned up by our health officers. Special attention is being paid to restaurants, cafes and eating houses."

Questioned as to the possibility of inaugurating a house-to-house inoculation service, Dr. Macleod replied that that was hardly possible as inoculation, unlike vaccination, has to be done by a qualified nurse under the supervision of a doctor.

"But," went on the Deputy Director of Health Services, "inoculations may be obtained at all hospitals, public dispensaries, the centres near the Harbour Department, the Port Health Offices, and near the markets."

It was emphasised by Dr. Macleod that, unlike vaccination, inoculation lasts only from three to six months which means that a person has to be inoculated yearly.

Asked as to whether he thought the peak has been reached, Dr. Macleod stated that it was hard to say with any certainty but he did not think so.

SOURCE OF DANGER

"Yes," said the D.D.H.S., "I think that food hawkers are the greatest source of danger. They carry the food around with them, accumulating dust and germs on the way. We have chased a lot of these hawkers, many of whom are unlicensed, off the streets."

"As to the food stalls, these are now under very strict supervision."

Asked whether it was not possible to abolish these stalls which, at the best of times are nothing more than disease carriers as the bowls, chopsticks, and spoons are more often than not, simply dipped into cold, and often not-so-clean, water, Dr. Macleod stated that that was what his department was trying to do.

When asked as to what he attributed the alarming increase in the number of cases, Dr. Macleod gave as his opinion that it was the aftermath of the recent black-out exercises. He reminded his interviewer of what he prophesied would happen in a black-out—the disruption of nightsoil disposal services.

TOO LAZY

"You should have seen what I saw the last few days," went on the D.D.H.S., "when I went on a tour of the slum areas. Human excreta, contained in newspapers, was all over the streets thrown there by occupants of adjoining houses who were, doubtless, too lazy to go to the public latrines."

The public is once again warned to take every precaution. Keep all eating utensils properly covered; keep all food well covered; refrain from eating raw, over-ripe and uncooked fruits; do not drink water that has not been boiled or filtered; and SWAT THAT FLY.

For the 24 hours ended midnight Monday, there were 41 cases of cholera—23 of which were reported from Victoria, four from Kowloon, one from Shaikwan, and ten from Aberdeen. During that same period there were 41 cases of tuberculosis, which figure included two from the New Territories and two imported cases.

WILLKIE, WHEELER TO MAKE LECTURE TOURS IN U.S.

MR. WENDELL WILLKIE AND SENATOR WHEELER will shortly travel through the United States making speeches, states a message from Saigon.

Mr. Wheeler, who is opposed to the passing of the Lease and Lend Bill, is to speak on the reasons which he thinks make isolationism necessary.

Mr. Willkie has decided to follow Mr. Wheeler to explain his own ideas. Mr. Willkie is against isolationism and has always stressed that the United States cannot remain isolated from the rest of the world.—(Special)

HEARD IN THE CLUB

Military officer to head of H.A. Government Department, after dinner: Won't you stay and join in a game of bridge? Government Official: Oh, dear no. I have a wife to get back to, you know.

Military officer: Well, I am luckier than you—My wife's in Australia!

CAROLINE HILL EXCITEMENT

RUNAWAY HORSE SOON RETURNS

A runaway horse from the Jardine Stables caused a good deal of excitement in Caroline Hill Road and on Leighton Hill yesterday evening when in its short taste of freedom the animal ran about at a speed that must have been equivalent to about the best it could put up.

Mafoos, in some profusion, took up the chase early and crept cautiously first up Caroline Hill Road and then up Leighton Hill in an attempt to catch up with the animal.

NARROW ESCAPE

After racing at full canter up the first-mentioned road, turning down again and scattering a crowd of children who bawled in unison at their narrow escape, the horse very nearly collided with a car, had a look at the placards outside the Lee Theatre, and then raced at top speed back and up Leighton Hill.

Coming down once more, the beast put the wind up a rickshaw coolie whose first impulse was to run in front of it. A happy thought, however, saved him and he dodged to the side of the road retaining his vehicle in shape enough for further use.

Finally, the horse ran back to the stables and was admitted at the gate.

MUSIC LECTURES IN KOWLOON

Music lovers in the Colony will be interested to know that a series of music lectures will be held at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, beginning from March 20. Among the musicians engaged are Mr. Chau Pit-wai, Mr. Ho On-tung, Mr. Ma Kwok-lam, Mr. Ng Pak-chau, Miss Lau Chun-wah and many others.

The first lecture will take place on March 20 at 7.30 p.m. in the great hall of the Y.M.C.A., Waterloo Road, when Mr. Lam Sing-hop will speak on the appreciation of music.

All lectures will be illustrated with recorded music.

R.A.F. Awards

W.A.A.F. MEMBER WINS O.B.E.

LONDON, Mar. 18 (British Wireless).—Squadron Leader R. M. Longmore, son of Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Longmore, receives the O.B.E.

Recipients of decorations are: C.B.—Air Vice-Marshal N. H. Bottomley, F. J. Linnell, G. R. M. Reid and R. Paul.

C.B.E.—Acting Air Vice-Marshal G. R. Bromet, Air Commodore E. S. Goodwin and Group Captain G. M. Lay.

Forty-four officers are awarded the O.B.E. One of these is a woman Felicity Haury, of the W. A. A. F.

Other awards comprise one M.C., nine A.F.C.'s (one posthumous), two M.M.'s, three A.F.M.'s and 14 M.B.E's.

GOEBBELS AND POLAND

"The political safety of a frontier district cannot be guaranteed by military strength alone," declared Dr. Goebbels, German Minister for Propaganda, when speaking at the opening of a German theatre in Poland, states a London message.

Dr. Goebbels said that Germany meant to hold on to the land and keep it.

"Corn will be grown in these territories and then our nation will derive food supplies from here," he added.—(Special)

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